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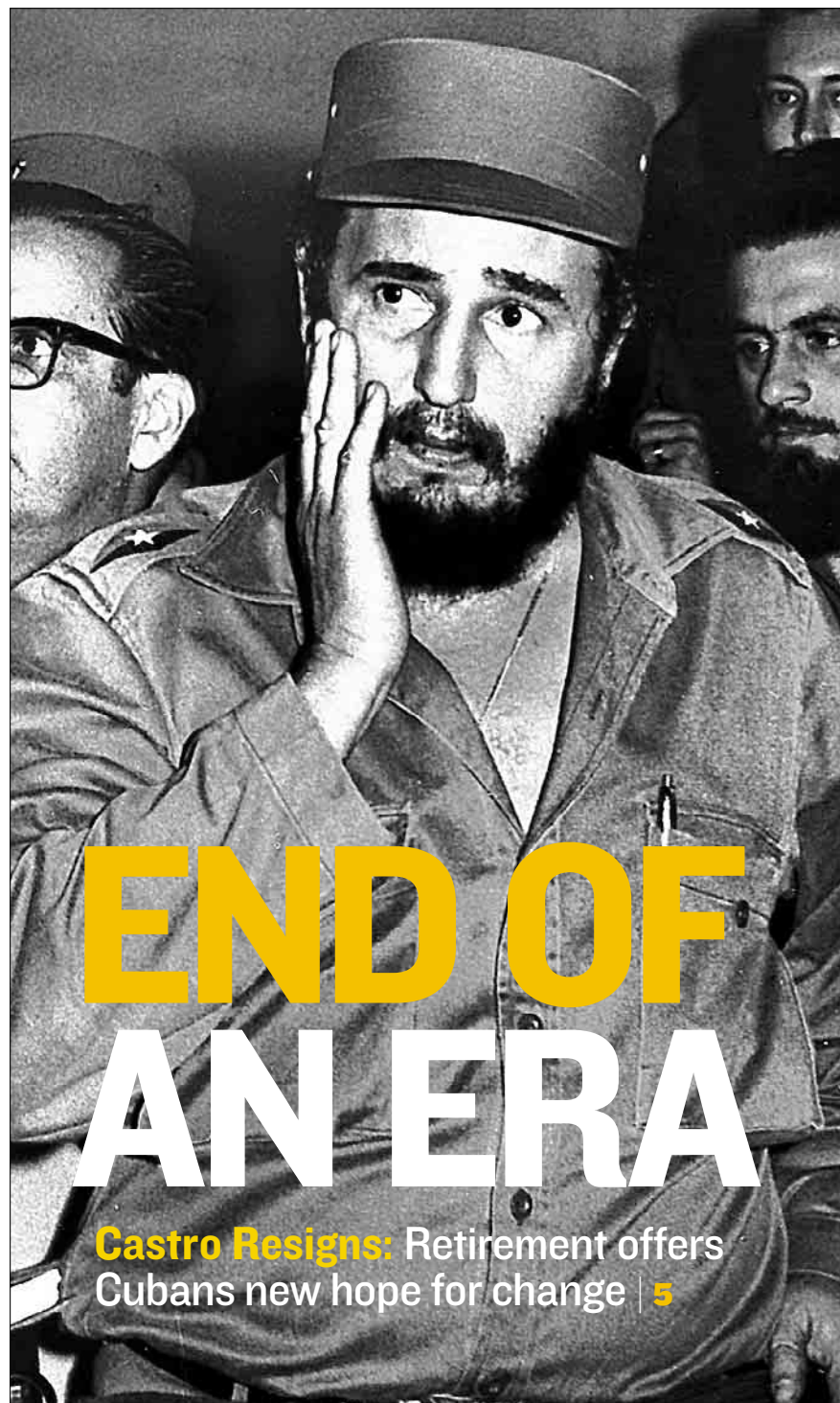


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STEPPING DOWN: Cuban leader Fidel Castro is seen in Havana in 1959. The ailing Castro, who had intestinal surgery in 2006, announced on Tuesday he will not accept a new term as president.

Blu-ray Wins HD Face-Off

Toshiba bows out of battle over movie-disc technology

NEW YORK | The HD DVD is now the Highly Dead DVD.

Toshiba Corp., creator of the HD DVD, dropped out of the battle Tuesday over the next generation of movie-disc technology and conceded to Sony's rival Blu-ray format.

It was the biggest battle between two video formats since Betamax lost out to VHS in the 1980s.

In the long run, the end of the latest format war is expected to be good for consumers, who will no longer have to agonize over which technology to choose for high-definition movies, and won't have to go to the trouble and expense of buying two players.

But in the short term, Toshiba's defeat not only leaves 1 million HD DVD customers worldwide with dead-end hardware, but it also ends a rivalry that kept down prices for players and pushed the Blu-ray group to match the features available on HD DVD players.

Analysts say people interested in getting a Blu-ray player would do well to wait. For one thing, it will take 12 to 18 months for Blu-ray players to become as cheap and full-featured as HD DVD players, which have been selling for just over \$100, according to ABI Research. **PETER SVENSSON (AP)**

THE EDGE

Why Blu-ray won:

→ **PlayStation 3**

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→ **Warner Bros.'**

switch to Blu-ray last month was a deadly blow for HD DVD.

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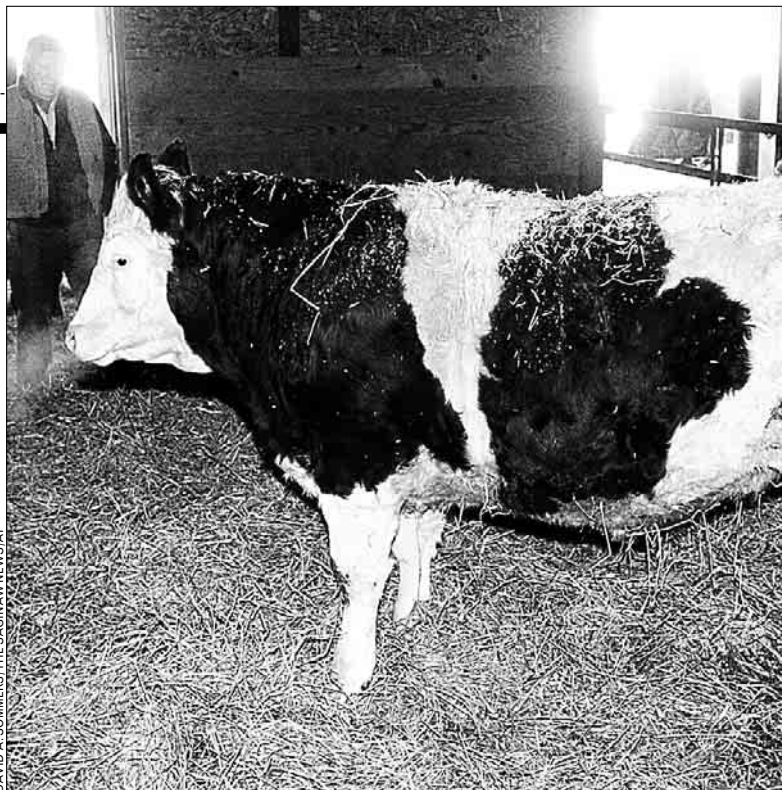
A pair of con artists ripped off a Girl Scout group in Westminster, Colo., when they exchanged a fake \$100 bill for cookies. The duo told the girls the bill had been washed when asked about why it looked so strange. "It felt and looked wrong, and it was a quarter of an inch shorter than a \$1 bill," said Jil Hennessey-Seabolt, cookie director for the troop. The Girl Scouts gave the couple \$93.50 in change. "Something like this isn't fair when it happens to adults, but when it happens to kids who work so hard, it's so frustrating," Hennessey-Seabolt said. But a kind resident donated \$100 to the troop to make up for it. (AP)



TECHNOLOGY

New DVD Format Makes Film Cliches Come Vividly to Life

A South Carolina man is thankful for a DVD that took a bullet for him. Colleton County Fire and Rescue Director Barry McRoy says he was leaving a Waffle House on Saturday when two men ran in fighting over a gun. A bullet hit one of the men, shattered a window, then hit a DVD McRoy was carrying in his pocket. He suffered a bruise but didn't realize he had been shot. As he told police what happened, he noticed a bullet hole in his jacket, the shattered DVD case and a piece of the bullet. "I was saved by a DVD," McRoy says. "How lucky can you get?" (AP)



DAVID A. SOMMER/THE SAGINAW NEWS (AP)

FOR SALE

Mascot, Wants To Live

A Spaulding Township, Mich., steer's unique hide may save it from being dinner. The animal is named Michigan, and for a good reason — a brown spot on its side resembles the state, and the other side sports a "U" shape. The owners are willing to sell the steer for promotional or mascot use. (AP)

POSSIBLE REASON

Man Learns to Make Meth From Stuffing

Police have arrested a 32-year-old man they accuse of stealing 217 cases of

Pepperidge Farm stuffing mix. The stuff went missing last week from a storage trailer in Midland, Mich. Deputy Police Chief Robert Lane said area distributors have access to the trailer and that the suspect worked for one of

the distributors. The man was arrested over the weekend at his home in Bentley in northern Bay County, according to the Midland Daily News. Lane said prosecutors have been asked to charge the man with embezzlement. (AP)

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CHURCH ORDERS: The pastor of a church in Ybor City, Fla., has issued a challenge to its married members: Have sex every day. Relevant Church head pastor Paul Wirth said he issued the 30-day sex challenge to counter high divorce rates.

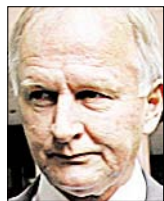
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In Brief

SAN DIEGO

Wilkes Gets 12 Years Behind Bars for Bribing Lawmaker

Former defense contractor Brent Wilkes was sentenced to 12 years in federal prison on Tuesday for bribing former U.S. Rep. Randy "Duke" Cunningham with cash, trips and other gifts in exchange for nearly \$90 million in Pentagon work. Federal probation officials had recommended a 60-year prison sentence for Wilkes, 53, who was convicted in November on 13 counts of bribery, conspiracy and wire fraud. (AP)



Wilkes

Former first lady Nancy Reagan was released Tuesday from a hospital, two days after falling at her Bel Air, Calif., home. Reagan, 86, was released from St. John's Health Center in Santa Monica and was "very happy to be back in her home," her spokeswoman Joanne Drake said. Reagan has resumed her daily activities, Drake said. (AP)

SANTA MONICA, CALIF.

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BY THE NUMBERS: U.S. cancer deaths rose more than 5,000 to 559,312 in 2005, a slight reversal of a two-year decline, the American Cancer Society reported.

Pentagon Ready to Fire at Satellite

Attempt to shoot down broken satellite could come Wednesday night

WASHINGTON | An attempt to blast a crippled U.S. spy satellite out of the sky using a Navy heat-seeking missile — possibly on Wednesday night — would be the first real-world use of this piece of the Pentagon's missile defense network. But that is not the mission for which it was intended.

The attempted shootdown,

already approved by President Bush, is seen by some as blurring the lines between defending against a weapon like a long-range missile and targeting satellites in orbit.

The three-stage Navy missile, designated the SM-3, has chalked up a high rate of success in a series of tests since 2002 — in each case targeting a short- or medium-range ballistic missile, never a satellite. A hurry-up program to adapt the missile for this anti-satellite mission was completed in a matter of weeks; Navy officials say the chang-

es will be reversed once this satellite is down.

The government issued notices to aviators and mariners to remain clear of a section of the Pacific beginning at 10:30 p.m. EST Wednesday, indicating the first window of opportunity to launch an SM-3 missile from a Navy cruiser, the USS Lake Erie, in an effort to hit the wayward satellite.

Having lost power shortly after it reached orbit in late 2006, the satellite is well below the altitude of a normal satellite. The Pentagon

wants to hit it with an SM-3 missile just before it re-enters Earth's atmosphere, in that way minimizing the amount of debris that would remain in space.

Adding to the difficulty of the mission, the missile will have to do better than just hit the bus-sized satellite, a Navy official said Tuesday. It needs to strike the relatively small fuel tank aboard the spacecraft in order to accomplish the main goal, which is to eliminate the fuel that could injure or even kill people if it reached Earth. ROBERT BURNS (AP)

NEW ORLEANS | CONTROVERSIAL DEMOLITION



TIME TO REBUILD: A public housing development in St. Bernard is demolished on Tuesday. The destruction of public housing units caused a firestorm in December, as protestors railed against the plan to tear down low-income apartments. The city is demolishing four public housing complexes and plans to build 3,000 new public housing units.

Official: Soldiers' Tours Are Likely To Be Shortened

WASHINGTON | Soldiers heading to war this summer are likely to see their tours shortened from 15 months to 12 months, even if troop cuts in Iraq are suspended in July as expected, the Army's top general said Tuesday.

Gen. George Casey said that while his forces are strained by nearly seven years at war, the Army can maintain 15 combat brigades in battle for at least a couple of months after July while military commanders assess the situation in Iraq.

"Fifteen deployed brigades, for us, is sustainable for a bit longer, certainly enough to cover what I would think the length of this pause might be," Casey said. (AP)



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Wiretap Appeal Rejected

Supreme Court won't hear lawsuit over U.S. terrorism surveillance

WASHINGTON | The Supreme Court dealt a setback Tuesday to civil rights advocates who oppose the Bush administration's warrantless wiretapping program.

The justices, without comment, turned down an appeal from the American Civil Liberties Union to let it pursue a lawsuit against the program that began shortly after the Sept. 11 terror attacks.

The action underscored the difficulty of mounting a challenge to the eavesdropping, which remains classified and was confirmed by Presi-

SECRECY CHALLENGE

→ The U.S. government has refused to turn over information about the closely guarded Terrorist Surveillance Program.

→ ACLU officials described the situation as a "Catch-22" because the government says the identities of people whose communications have been intercepted is secret. But only people who know they have been wiretapped can sue.

dent Bush only after a newspaper article revealed its existence.

"It's very disturbing that the president's actions will go unremarked upon by the court," said

Jameel Jaffer, director of the ACLU's national security project. "In our view, it shouldn't be left to executive branch officials alone to determine the limits."

The Terrorist Surveillance Program no longer exists, although the administration has maintained it was legal. The ACLU argues that the program was illegal and that they had been forced to alter how they communicate with foreigners who were likely to have been targets of the wiretapping.

The 6th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals dismissed the suit, saying the plaintiffs could not prove they been monitored and thus could not prove they had been harmed.

MARK SHERMAN (AP)



Orlando Hernandez sets up Cuban flags for sale in front of the Versailles Restaurant in the Little Havana area of Miami.

Cuban Exiles Wait for Better News

Resignation of Castro met with little fanfare on streets of Miami

MIAMI | There was little dancing in the streets, no widespread celebration. In Little Havana, the heart of the Cuban exile community, the long-awaited news that Cuban President Fidel Castro resigned brought only muted glee — and a feeling that little would change for the communist island many had fled.

As news of the resignation

spread, motorists honked vigorously at police patrol cars and television reporters. Isolated shouts of "Free Cuba!" echoed in the streets, and small groups gathered to chat in local eateries. But the community's reaction to the news, long expected to spark vibrant celebration, was filled with caution.

"I hope this is the beginning of the end of the system, but we have to wait," said 35-year-old chemist Omar Fernandez, who left Cuba for the U.S. six years ago.

Repeated rumors of Castro's

death over the years helped prepare residents and officials for a day that all knew would eventually come. But the scene here Tuesday was far quieter than when thousands jubilantly took to the streets after Castro temporarily handed power to his brother Raul in 2006. The fact is, residents said, Cuba is the same with Castro's brother in power.

"It's the same repression inside Cuba. No freedom. No refuge. Lack of liberty," said Pedro Lopez, 54, who came from Cuba about 30 years ago. ADRIAN SAINZ (AP)



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SCIENCE OF GOD: University of Oxford researchers plan to spend nearly \$4 million over three years to study why humans embrace God. Anthropologists, theologians, philosophers and other academics will examine whether belief in a divine being is a natural human quality.

World

In Brief



U.N. cars are burned as Serbs protest Kosovo's independence on Tuesday.

KOSOVSKA MITROVICA, KOSOVO Thousands of Serbs Protest Kosovo's Independence

Thousands of Serbs chanting "Kosovo is Serbia" marched Tuesday to a bridge dividing them from ethnic Albanians, while others torched U.N. border checkpoints and cars to protest Kosovo's declaration of independence. NATO troops later closed the roads leading to the checkpoints, cutting off the only link between northern Kosovo and Serbia, said a U.N. spokesman. (AP)

YEREVAN, ARMENIA Prime Minister Has Lead In Early Election Results

Early results in Armenia's presidential election Tuesday gave a lead to



Sarkisian

Prime Minister Serge Sarkisian, officials said, but the tally suggested he might not be able to avoid a runoff with his top challenger.

With 28 percent of ballots counted, Sarkisian had 42 percent of the votes, the Central Election Commission said. (AP)

ZURICH, SWITZERLAND 2 Stolen Paintings Found In Backseat of Unlocked Car

A frantic search for four stolen Impressionist paintings led to an unlikely place: the parking lot of a mental hospital just yards from the crime scene. There, in the backseat of an unlocked car, a painting by Claude Monet and another by Vincent van Gogh were found Monday in perfect condition, authorities said Tuesday. The paintings, worth \$64 million combined, were still under the museum's display glass. (AP)

Cubans Want Post-Castro Change

Longtime communist icon leaves control of Cuba to brother, Raul

HAVANA | Now that Fidel Castro has retired, many Cubans are looking to his brother to let more people open businesses, own homes and even travel abroad. But it will probably fall to a new generation of leaders to ultimately fulfill or frustrate their dreams of prosperity.

During his 1 1/2 years as acting president, 76-year-old Raul Castro has hinted at reform but made few major changes — a reticence many see as a sign of respect for his beloved, more doctrinaire older brother, who survived despite the efforts of 10 U.S. presidents to bring him down.

And while hoping that Raul and his likely No. 2, Carlos Lage, will advocate for change, they wonder how that will fly with Fidel, who resigned but isn't going away.

"There has to be some change, more freedom with Raul," said Andres, 63, who, like many Cubans, wouldn't give his last name for fear of reprisal when talking about the Castros. "The other one always



Cuban President Fidel Castro addresses a crowd in the 1970s in Havana. Castro announced his resignation on Tuesday.

Cuba's transition: For the latest articles, photos and videos on Castro's resignation and the future of Cuba, visit washingtonpost.com/world.

Introducing Raul Castro: The younger Castro is a seasoned leader, but he remains a mystery to many Cubans and lacks Fidel's charisma. | **AI**

nipped that off at the bud."

The resignation, announced Tuesday, should give Raul Castro the autonomy he lacked as the government's caretaker since Fidel was sidelined by intestinal surgery in July 2006.

The younger Castro encouraged Cubans to open a fearless and criti-

cal debate, as long as they remember that the final decisions will be made by the island's leaders. Many Cubans want to hear more such talk from their next leader.

Fidel Castro, however, insisted in his resignation letter that he won't disappear — or stay quiet if his revolution goes astray. ANITA SNOW (AP)

Ailing Leader Defied U.S. Since 1959

Castro's presidency lasted through 10 U.S. administrations

HAVANA | Fidel Castro defied America for nearly half a century, resisting U.S. attempts to topple him while wielding almost absolute control over the communist state he built just 90 miles south of Florida. He resigned as president Tuesday, two years after falling ill and temporarily ceding power.

Through 10 U.S. administrations beginning with that of Dwight

Eisenhower, Castro survived assassination attempts, an invasion by a CIA-trained exile army at the Bay of Pigs, and a standoff with Washington over Soviet missiles that pushed the world to the brink of nuclear war.

"Socialism or death" was Castro's rallying cry long after the Soviet Union broke up and communism toppled across eastern Europe.

The man who said "power doesn't interest me" as he led his rebels into Havana in 1959 said in his resignation letter that he held onto power for so long,

even when ill, only because the U.S. "had done everything possible to get rid of me."

Over the decades, Castro became such a constant presence in Cuban life that many on the island assumed he would outlive them.

So, this nation of 11 million was stunned on July 31, 2006, when Castro announced he was ill and would temporarily appoint his younger brother, Defense Minister Raul Castro, to lead Cuba.

Fidel Castro's exact ailment and condition remain state secrets.

ANITA SNOW (AP)

Cuba Under Castro | Key Events of Nearly 50 Years

1959 Fidel Castro gains power after a revolution drives out Fulgencio Batista.

1961 Castro declares Cuba a socialist state; Bay of Pigs invasion.

1980 Refugee crisis at Mariel port; about 125,000 Cubans leave.

1994 Castro says he won't stop Cubans from leaving; 40,000 flee to U.S.

2006 Castro temporarily gives power to his brother, Raul, due to illness. (AP)

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“My wishes have always been to discharge my duties to my last breath. ... I will neither aspire to nor accept ... the positions of president of the state council and commander in chief.”

—FIDEL CASTRO
IN EXCERPTS FROM THE OFFICIAL
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TION LETTER PUBLISHED TUESDAY.

World



BULK(Y) MAIL CARRIERS: Australia's postal service isn't changing the scales on its counters, but it has loosened weight limits for motorcycle staff. Facing a shortage of slender recruits, Australia Post raised the maximum weight for letter carriers who ride motorbikes from 198 pounds to 231 pounds.

Musharraf's Party Concedes Loss

Pakistani opposition parties win 154 of 268 parliamentary seats

ISLAMABAD, PAKISTAN | A top opposition leader called on President Pervez Musharraf to resign Tuesday after his ruling party conceded defeat in parliamentary elections. The vote was also a slap to Islamist parties, which lost control of a province where al-Qaeda and Taliban fighters have sought refuge.

With counting from Monday's election nearly complete, the two main opposition parties won a total of 154 of the 268 contested seats, according to the Election Commission.

The pro-Musharraf party trailed with 39 seats, and the group's leader acknowledged the loss.

"We accept the election results, and will sit on opposition benches," Chaudhry Shujaat Hussain, chairman of the Pakistan Muslim League-Q, told AP Television News. "We are accepting the results with grace and open heart."



Supporters of Pakistani opposition leader Nawaz Sharif wave flags in front of a poster of Sharif to celebrate the unofficial election results in Lahore on Tuesday.

Although final official results were not expected until Wednesday, opposition parties were confident of victory and began mapping plans for a new government and a possible showdown with

Musharraf.

Nawaz Sharif, a former prime minister and leader of the opposition Pakistan Muslim League-N, recalled statements by Musharraf last year that he would step down

only if he lost the support of the Pakistani people.

"He has closed his eyes. He has said before that he would go when the people want him to do so, and now the people have given their verdict," Sharif told reporters in Lahore.

The Pakistan People's Party of assassinated ex-prime minister Benazir Bhutto was leading with 86 seats and was likely to spearhead the new government in partnership with other opposition groups.

Bhutto's husband, Asif Ali Zardari, told reporters Tuesday he would meet soon with Sharif and other opposition leaders "to form a government of national unity." Zardari made clear he would not include politicians who had been allied with Musharraf.

"We will seek support from democratic forces to form the government, but we are not interested in any of those people who are part and parcel of the previous government," Zardari said. He did not comment on whether Musharraf should remain in power. ROBERT H. REID (AP)

Iraqi Police Will Detain Disabled, Vagabonds, Poor

BAGHDAD | The Iraqi Interior Ministry has ordered police to round up beggars, vagabonds and mentally disabled people from the streets of Baghdad to prevent them from being used by insurgents as suicide bombers, a spokesman said Tuesday.

The decision came after a series of suicide attacks, two of which involved female bombers who struck pet markets in Baghdad on Feb. 1, killing nearly 100 people.

Iraqi and U.S. officials have said the women were mentally disabled and apparently unwitting bombers.

The people detained in the Baghdad sweep will be handed over to governmental institutions that can provide shelter and care for them, Interior Ministry spokesman Maj. Gen. Abdul-Karim Khalaf said.

"Militant groups, like al-Qaeda in Iraq, have started exploiting these people ... to kill innocents because they do not raise suspicions," Khalaf said. SINAN SALAHEDDIN (AP)

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SHIP SANK: A 46-year old Newport News, Va. man, formerly a Mariners' Museum archivist, has been indicted in federal court after accusations that he stole museum pieces and sold up to 1,400 of them on eBay — including documents from a mother and son who survived the 1912 sinking of the Titanic.

Local

Md. Crash Suspect Drove Illegally

Man responsible for 8 deaths at illegal race has suspended license

Darren Jamar Bullock was driving on a suspended license when his Crown Victoria hit and killed eight spectators at a middle-of-the-night street race in Prince George's County early Saturday, according to public records and two law enforcement sources.

Bullock turned his license over to the state Motor Vehicle Admin-

istration on Jan. 23, thus beginning his second license suspension, according to MVA records. The license was still listed as suspended Tuesday.

Police believe a large crowd had gathered on Indian Head Highway in Accokeek around 3 a.m. Saturday morning to watch the racing when the Crown Victoria crashed into the group standing in the roadway. Police have said they do not believe the car was involved in the race, and they are still searching for the two drivers who were.



A car crash on Feb. 16 in Accokeek, Md. killed 8 during an illegal street race.

A family member of Bullock's would not comment on the status of his license. She said the family was consulting with a lawyer and expected to release a statement later this week.

Bullock's uncle said Monday that the Waldorf man was not speeding and tried to stop when he saw the the silhouettes of dozens of spectators standing in the roadway. James Michael Walls said Bullock has been in a daze since the crash.

JENNA JOHNSON AND ROSALIND S. HELDERMAN
(THE WASHINGTON POST)

Diplomat Held in Sex Tape Sting

ALEXANDRIA, VA. | A U.S. Foreign Service officer stationed in Brazil and Congo who is accused of using his office to pressure female visa applicants for sex has been ordered held without bond pending trial.

Gons G. Nachman, of Washington, is charged in U.S. District Court with misuse of a passport, making false statements and possession of child pornography. At a detention hearing Tuesday, a magistrate ruled that the 42-year-old is a flight risk because he is a dual citizen of the U.S. and Costa Rica and could easily flee to his native country.

Federal public defender Jeremy Kamens noted that the charges involve sex tapes Nachman allegedly made abroad with 16- and 17-year-old girls. He said it is unusual for the government to bring child pornography charges in cases involving post-pubescent teens. (AP)

WASHINGTON | THE RE-AWAKENING



BIG DIG: Workers excavate "The Awakening," on Tuesday. J. Seward Johnson Jr.'s sculpture of a giant struggling to emerge from the earth being moved from its site at Hains Point in Southwest D.C., to the Prince George's county, where it will be the centerpiece of the National Harbor Project in Oxon Hill, Md. The complex is scheduled to open in late April.

2 Missing Va. Hikers Found in N.H.

CRAWFORD NOTCH, N.H. | Two men from northern Virginia missing in New Hampshire's White Mountains since Sunday have been found alive and well.

Fish and Game Colonel Jeffrey Gray says a National Guard helicopter crew spotted 30-year-old Alex Obert and 29-year-old Ste-

ven McCay, both of Arlington, about 10 a.m. Tuesday. He says they were found on the slopes of Mount Washington, and that the helicopter crew hoisted them to safety.

Gray says that other than being cold, wet and tired, the men were in good shape, and did not need to go to the hospital. (AP)

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Tuesday, Feb. 19

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Evening Lucky Numbers (Mon.) **7-2-5**
Mid-day DC 4 **6-6-1-1**
Evening DC 4 (Mon.) **5-3-0-8**
Rolling Cash Five (Mon.) **3-21-23-32-33**
Daily 6 (Mon.) **1-6-7-10-17-35 Bonus: 2**

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Mid-day Pick 3 **1-8-1**
Evening Pick 3 (Mon.) **5-3-4**
Mid-day Pick 4 **9-2-9-2**
Evening Pick 4 (Mon.) **1-4-3-0**
Match 5 (Mon.) **8-10-16-20-30 Bonus: 19**

VIRGINIA

Mid-day Pick 3 **0-6-1**
Evening Pick 3 (Mon.) **8-2-6**
Mid-day Pick 4 **0-8-0-4**
Evening Pick 4 (Mon.) **2-5-0-4**
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Money



“There’s nothing that’s gone on other than us stating that we think it’s a fair offer. [Yahoo] should take a hard look at it.”

— Bill Gates, who says Microsoft is not haggling with Yahoo over a rejected buyout

Cell Networks to Offer Unlimited Calling Plans

Verizon, T-Mobile, and AT&T announce offers on the same day

NEW YORK | Verizon Wireless introduced an unlimited calling plan for \$99.99 per month on Tuesday, a move that was quickly matched by AT&T Mobility and T-Mobile USA and weighed down stock prices for all U.S. mobile carriers.

Verizon Wireless was apparently the first major carrier to make an “unlimited” plan available nationwide with no domestic roaming or long-distance fees. Its announcement was all but five hours old when AT&T announced its own unlimited plan.

“This is a highly competitive

market, and we’re committed to moving fast to meet customer needs,” said Ralph de la Vega, chief executive of AT&T Mobility.

Three hours later, T-Mobile followed suit, saying it would introduce a \$99.99 plan on Thursday.

The Verizon Wireless plan is “likely to have repercussions for years to come,” Sanford C. Bernstein analyst Craig Moffett wrote in a research report before the other two carriers introduced their competing plans.

A relatively small number of cellphone power users are expected to benefit from the new plans, but investors saw little chance for the carriers to recoup lost revenue by up-selling customers who now pay less. (AP)

Market Action

New York Stock Exchange

Gainers

STOCK	LAST	DAILY CHANGE	DAILY PERCENT CHANGE
WstnRefin	23.99	+3.60	+17.7
MStewrt	7.19	+1.06	+17.3
Barnes	25.71	+3.27	+14.6
BlueLinx	5.11	+5.59	+13.1
HollyCp	53.31	+5.81	+12.2

Losers

AbitiBow n	17.02	-2.43	-12.5
WestlkChm	17.29	-2.33	-11.9
Idearc	7.87	-.86	-9.9
Talbots	8.02	-.88	-9.9
Dillards	15.93	-1.51	-8.7

NASDAQ Stock Market

Gainers

STOCK	LAST	DAILY CHANGE	DAILY PERCENT CHANGE
NatureVis	3.43	+1.91	+125.7
AsystTch If	3.40	+.81	+31.3
CellGens	2.83	+.47	+19.9
MentGr	9.23	+1.49	+19.3
Iomai	1.03	+.01	+1.0

Losers

OnyxPh	33.09	-11.89	-26.4
ArtWay	20.05	-7.15	-26.3
UCN Inc n	2.75	-.58	-17.4
ICOP Dig	2.45	-.44	-15.2
Penwest	3.19	-.52	-14.0

Rates

	CURRENT	PREVIOUS WEEK
Prime Rate	6.00	6.00
Fed Funds close	3.00	2.94
3-month disc	2.20	2.26
2-year	2.02	1.94
10-year	3.87	3.67
30-year	4.65	4.46

Currency (Dollars in foreign currency)

	TODAY	PREVIOUS DAY	YEAR AGO
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European Euro	.6788	.6813	.7612
Japanese Yen	107.60	107.69	119.26
Mexican Peso	10.7688	10.7534	10.9973
Taiwanese Dollar	31.67	31.73	32.95

DOW	NASDAQ	S&P 500
-10.99	-15.60	-1.21
-0.09	-0.67	-0.09
12337.22	2306.20	1348.78

Media Stocks

STOCK	LAST	DAILY CHANGE	YEAR TO DATE PERCENT CHANGE
CBS B	25.14	-.24	-7.7
ClearChan	31.07	-1.28	-10.0
Comcast s	20.47	+.28	+12.1
Comc sp s	20.23	+.26	+11.6
DirectTV	25.45	-.04	+10.1
Disney	32.19	-.30	-.3
GpTelevisa	22.90	+.14	-3.7
NewsCpA	19.26	-.15	-6.0
NewsCpB	19.97	-.08	-6.0
Omnim s	46.37	-.21	-2.4
ReutrGrp	70.99	-.04	-6.7
Thomson	33.87	-.53	-16.9
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"I don't like baseball being singled out. Everybody that knows sports knows football is tailor-made for performance-enhancing drugs."

— Yankees senior VP Hank Steinbrenner on the investigation of steroids in baseball.



Sports

Kidd Trade Finally Goes Through

Mavs send young star, draft picks to Nets for the All-Star guard

NBA | Jason Kidd is a member of the Dallas Mavericks. Again. Finally.

The long-discussed, once-scuttled and ultimately reconfigured deal to bring Kidd from New Jersey back to the team that drafted him was finalized Tuesday. He was reintroduced in Dallas 14 years after the Mavericks made him the No. 2 pick.

Back then, Kidd was supposed

to help turn around one of the worst franchises in sports. Now, as one of the league's best point guards, he's seen as a crucial piece in the Mavs' pursuit of a championship.

"There's no bigger reward than to have that championship trophy in your hand," said Kidd, who lost in the NBA finals twice with the Nets. "That's why I'm here. Because Dallas has its eye on that prize."

Keith Van Horn and Trenton Hassell replace Jerry Stackhouse and Devean George in an original proposal. Stackhouse's presence in

DALLAS GETS:

- Point guard Jason Kidd
- Forward Malik Allen
- Guard Antoine Wright

NEW JERSEY GETS:

- Point guard Devin Harris
- Center DeSagana Diop
- Swingman Maurice Ager
- Forward Trenton Hassell
- Retired forward Keith Van Horn
- Dallas' first-round draft picks in 2008 and 2010, plus \$3 million

the deal was muddled by plans to get him back to Dallas — within the rules, but in a way the NBA frowned upon — and George used his veto power to block his involvement.

"It's been the most amazing, interesting trade we've ever done, and we've done some doozies here," Mavericks owner Mark Cuban said. "I've never seen anything like it, but all's well that ends well. We got the right guys."

Cuban, who was a Mavericks season ticket holder the last time Kidd was in Dallas, is essentially gambling that the 1½ seasons he'll have Kidd is worth more than the 4½ seasons left with Harris.

Kidd, of course, is a proven commodity, but he turns 35 next month and is a decade older than Harris.

"In any business there's lulls," Cuban said. "Everybody was waiting for the postseason to start. You can't just say, 'OK, turn it on in the postseason.' I think Jason ... being that iconic All-Star will spark a lot of people." SCHUYLER DIXON (AP)



Busy NBA: Tuesday's trade of Jason Kidd capped off a crazy couple of weeks leading up to the trade deadline. A look at what happened and why | **Today's Post, Sports**

Tejada Is Mum on Steroids

Astros SS says lawyer told him not to discuss the Mitchell Report

ORIOLES | Miguel Tejada said he's been advised by attorneys not to comment on the Mitchell Report or an FBI investigation looking into his alleged link to steroids.

"I can't really talk about that situation," Tejada said Tuesday morning



Tejada

upon arriving at Houston Astros training camp. "Right now, I just want to talk about baseball, because that's really my focus."

The Astros acquired the four-time All-Star shortstop from Baltimore on Dec. 12, the day before the Mitchell Report was released.

In the report, Adam Piatt claimed he gave steroids to Tejada in 2003, when the two were teammates in Oakland. The report included checks Tejada wrote to Piatt to allegedly pay for steroids. The report said Tejada refused to meet with Mitchell's investigators.

Asked if he could answer the allegations in the report, Tejada said, "No, I can't. Not at all." CHRIS DUNCAN (AP)



HELPING HAND: Shaquille O'Neal said he has no desire to be the star of the Suns but thinks of himself more like a senior adviser.

Shaq Is Ready to Run With the Suns

O'Neal says he's happy to take a backseat role to win another title

NBA | Shaquille O'Neal says he is ready to run with the Phoenix Suns. Really.

"I'm going to be looking to get out like Randy Moss and Terrell Owens," he said Tuesday after going through his final workout before making his debut with the Suns on Wednesday night against his

old team, the Los Angeles Lakers.

The prospect of the 7-foot-1, 325-pound O'Neal, at age 35, fitting in with the high-octane Suns has been ridiculed across much of the NBA.

The Lakers' Phil Jackson, O'Neal's former coach, said Shaq's role would be "taking the ball out of bounds and waiting for the other team to get back."

"He's a jokester, and that's funny, very funny," Shaq said without smiling. "Ha, ha. Very funny."

Suns coach Mike D'Antoni says

people will be surprised about how well a motivated O'Neal can move, and playmaker Steve Nash was elated with the trade that brought O'Neal from Miami for Shawn Marion and Marcus Banks.

"We're going to have to adjust slightly to his strengths," Nash said, "but you know where he's strong we've been weak, and that's having a big presence in the paint, taking up space and guarding the rim."

O'Neal says he has no desire to be a star with his new team. Those

roles belong to Nash and Amare Stoudemire, he said.

"I'm more like a senior adviser, so I don't like to come in here and try to take over," O'Neal said. "Just like your basic karate movie where the young guys come to the old guys with beards who have them do weird stuff to get to the other side. That's who I am, the old guy with a long beard."

Long pause.

"You like that analogy?" he said, obviously pleased with him-

West Is Best

→ The NBA is clearly West-heavy. But Wednesday's Suns-Lakers showdown shows exactly how bad the disparity has become, Michael Wilbon says. | **Today, Sports**

IN The Washington Post

self. "That was pretty good?"

Nash was a willing sidekick.

"I think this is his 73rd Asian martial arts film," he said. "We're excited to learn from the great master."

O'Neal said he's learned a lot watching the Suns play from the bench, enough to make him believe that this team can win an NBA title, something the franchise hasn't achieved in its 40-year history.

He said he needs that fifth title, and maybe a sixth, to cement the legacy he covets.

"Every time that I've won a championship I've looked at my guys around me and looked at their work ethic and said 'You know what, I'm going to win it this year,'" O'Neal said. "I feel that way now."

BOB BAUM (AP)



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MOVE OVER, SEAU: Always looking for the next old linebacker, the Patriots offered Zach Thomas, 34, a contract on Monday, just days after he was released by the Dolphins, the Miami Herald reported.



Sports

Nats Add A Veteran Pitcher

Washington signs Odalis Perez to help bolster young rotation

NATIONALS | Left-hander Odalis Perez agreed to a non-guaranteed, minor league contract with the Washington Nationals on Tuesday that will pay him \$850,000 if he makes the major league club.

Perez went 8-11 with a 5.57 ERA in 26 starts for the Kansas City Royals last season. He threw 137 1/3 innings in 2007, more than all but one Nationals pitcher.



Perez

"He will be given an opportunity to make the team's starting rotation," general manager Jim Bowden said. "He gives us depth to protect us against injuries and depth to allow us to not have to rush a young starting pitcher who is not ready for the major leagues."

An All-Star in 2002, Perez is 66-70 with a 4.47 ERA over nine seasons with the Royals, Dodgers and Braves.

The 30-year-old Perez would give Washington a veteran in a mostly unproven rotation.

His contract includes incentives beginning at 20 games started.

Nationals manager Manny Acta had Perez on teams in winter ball in the Dominican Republic and in the 2006 World Baseball Classic.

"He's a guy with plenty of big league experience, who won as many games as anybody on our staff last year at the big league level," Acta said. "You never have enough pitching. And also the fact that we do have some guys that are coming into camp with some injuries, so we have to cover ourselves." (AP)



Collin Balester, 21, is one of the young arms the Nats hope to lead them this year.

Fresh Arms Bring A Fresh Outlook

Nationals sport many promising pitchers in training this year

NATIONALS | Locker stalls and bullpen mounds occupied a year ago by the Jason Simontacchis and Chris Michalak of the world are now occupied by kids named Ross Detwiler and Collin Balester.

Whereas a Jerome Williams might have drawn pitching coach Randy St. Claire's attention in 2007, it's Garrett Mock who is getting pointers at Washington Nationals spring training these days.

"The talent pool has definitely gotten better at the minor league level," St. Claire said Tuesday. "They've made some good choices in the draft and gotten some good young arms, and, hopefully, it will start to pan out and help us at this level."

How long might that take?

"Some of them could probably start helping pretty soon," St. Claire said. "Maybe at some point this year."

When St. Claire monitored Tuesday's bullpen sessions, he got a chance to get up-close looks not just at potential opening day starter Shawn Hill, but also, on the adjacent mound, Mock, a 24-year-old righty who came over in the trade that sent Livan Hernandez to Arizona.

When that group left, along came a crew that included Balester, a 21-year-old righty who split last season between Double-A Harrisburg and Triple-A Columbus. The day's third set of pitchers included Detwiler, a 21-year-old lefty who was the No. 6 overall pick in June's amateur draft out of Missouri State.

"We're pleased and making progress. We told you that was our plan," general manager Jim Bowden said. "We're making progress. A long way to go." HOWARD FENDRICH (AP)

TODAY'S TV LINEUP

CAPITALS (7 P.M. ON CSN) The Capitals host the Islanders while trying to win their second straight game.

TERPS HOOPS (9 P.M. ON CH. 20) To stay in NCAA Tournament contention, Maryland needs to defeat Virginia Tech.

NBA (9 P.M. ON ESPN) Shaq's back, and the big guy plays his first game with the Suns

against the team he won three titles with: the Lakers.

GOLF (2 P.M. ON TGC) The first round of the Accenture Match Play Championship is live from Tucson, Ariz.

SOCCER (2:30 P.M. ON ESPN2) In the UEFA Champions League, AC Milan plays Arsenal in London.

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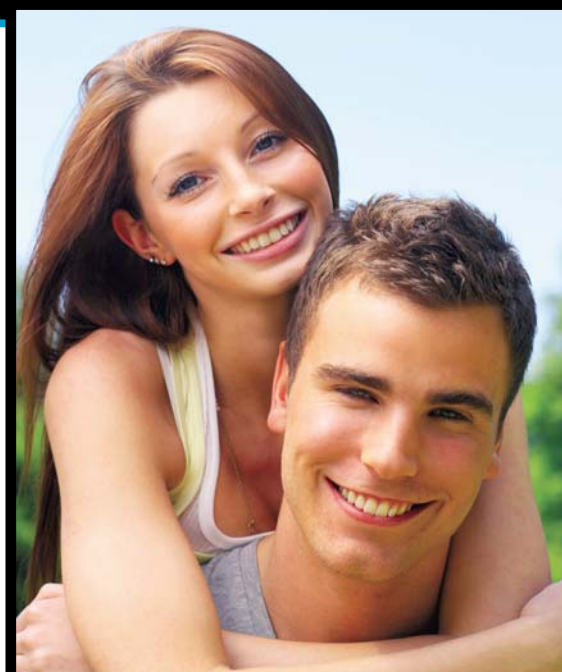


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Sports

Nothing 'World' About It

U.S.-based World Golf Championships aren't special, players say

GOLF | This being an election year, a popular question seemed appropriate for golf's most seasoned politician.

Are the World Golf Championships better off than they were 10 years ago?

"I think they've matured," PGA Tour commissioner Tim Finchem said. "There's more history, more stuff to talk about, more memories. That's true with any tournament."

Maybe that's the problem.

The longer the "World" Golf Championships — which include this week's Accenture Match Play Championships in Arizona — are anchored in America, the more they look like any other tournament.

"I don't see them moving forward," Adam Scott said, an opinion shared by many of his peers. "It's not different for the money. They're not playing them on great golf courses. It's just another event. They've lost some of



Padraig Harrington said he is skipping the next WGC event, at Doral later this year.

the luster they once had."

Given a full menu of great tournaments, British Open champion Padraig Harrington is skipping the next one at Doral.

"I don't think I would have 10 years ago," he said.

The WGCs lost their momentum the first time all three were held in the United States, in 2003. A rotation that once featured Spain, Ireland and Australia now has settled

into Arizona, Miami and Ohio.

There is a practical side to this. TV money comes from America, and ratings shrink when a tournament is held five time zones away, if not more.

"Two-thirds of the field are foreign-born players, so it's interesting that they're all played here," said David Toms, who never missed a WGC event overseas, even in Australia. DOUG FERGUSON (AP)

In Brief

CHAMPIONS LEAGUE 58th-Minute Goal Lifts Roma

AS Roma beat nine-time winner Real Madrid 2-1 Tuesday in the first leg of the Champions League's second round. Brazilian midfielder Amantini Mancini scored the winning goal in the 58th minute off a pass from Roma captain Francesco Totti. Raul Gonzalez had given Madrid the lead in the eighth, adding to his Champions League scoring record with his 60th goal in the competition. (AP)

CHAMPIONS LEAGUE Liverpool Beats Milan, 2-0

Liverpool scored twice in the final six minutes to defeat visiting Internazionale of Milan 2-0 Tuesday night in the second round of the European Champions League. Dirk Kuyt scored in the 85th minute and Steven Gerrard added a goal in the 90th for Liverpool. (AP)

Ortiz Reports, Takes Swings in the Cage

Boston DH says Red Sox are 'definitely' the team to beat this year

BASEBALL | David Ortiz took swings in the batting cage after reporting to spring training Tuesday and said he's nearly fully recovered from knee surgery he had after the Boston Red Sox won the World Series.

"I feel good," he said, "getting almost 100 percent"

About two hours later, World Series MVP Mike Lowell showed up. He hit .400 with a home run and four RBIs to lead Boston to a four-game sweep of the Colorado Rockies. The first official team workout for all players is scheduled for Friday.

Ortiz spent about 60 seconds talking with reporters as he

walked without stopping about 100 feet from the cages to the Red Sox clubhouse.

Boston is "definitely" the team to beat, the designated hitter said. "We're the world champions and



Ortiz

we're going to play like it. We'll see what's happening."

He also said he talked Tuesday with pitcher Curt Schilling, who is expected to be sidelined at least until the All-Star break with an injured right shoulder. Schilling worked out in the morning in the clubhouse.

"He said he'd be all right," said Ortiz, who smiled then added, "You know, he's just trying to call people's attention" to himself. (AP)

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No Hard-Core Sports Machine

Redesigned Audi TT is better suited to touring than sporting

NOT SO FAST | If you want to see a car designed for designers, you need only turn your oversized Philip Johnson-style spectacles toward the Audi TT.

From the moment the concept car appeared at the Frankfurt Auto Show in 1995, it was clear the TT meant to engage automotive aesthetics in big, arty, self-conscious ways.

With the second-generation and redesigned TT (out since late 2006), the matter has become more complex. We know the car is supremely hip. But are you, Mr. and Mrs. Consumer, hip enough?



The redesigned Audi TT Roadster retains the overall proportions of the original model but with a few changes to the front grille—the signature Audi trapezoid.

The new car is slightly bigger, slightly bolder and marginally more butch, although I still wouldn't drive one to a NASCAR race. It retains the overall proportions of the original, which is a good thing.

My only advice is that if you buy the TT, you'd better love the way it makes you look, because what you're buying is a 3,262-pound calling card announcing your refined sensibilities. It's no hard-core sports car.

The car is nose heavy, and on top of the weight distribution, the suspension and Quattro drive line conspire to make it push like a road grader. Drive within the car's limits and it's a beautiful thing. Exceed those limits and the car gets clumsy—quick.

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engined TT is more touring car than sports car, more for summer semesters at the Sorbonne than weekends at Willow Springs. Limned in modernism and self-satisfaction, the TT makes an exquisite design statement, but it makes it best from the right lane.

DAN NEIL (THE LOS ANGELES TIMES)

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Travel



CATCH A WAVE: A handful of surfers in full-body wetsuits brave the chilly waters of Ireland for some untraditional surfing at Tramore Beach in Waterford, Ireland.

On Top of the World

Though cold, Ireland's beaches provide some of the best surfing

DESTINATIONS | It is not unusual for motorists on Ireland's western coast to feel as if they've driven straight into a painting, bordered on one side by picture-perfect waves and on the other by fusing shades of green.

But that surreal spell is often broken by unexpected splotches of color, as drivers find blurs of blue, yellow or white whizzing by — atop cars carrying another common but somewhat anachronistic sight: surfboards.

Ireland may not be known for

a beach bum culture or limitless sunshine, but its breathtaking coasts and world-class waves have made the island a star in the world of surfing and windsurfing. Pros from all over the globe travel to Ireland to take on its challenging swells, and the country has hosted more than its share of championships.

"Ireland's ideal for it because we have so much coastline," said Easkey Britton, 21, a County Donegal native and surfing champion — who also happens to be named for one of Ireland's premier surfing spots, Easkey, in County Sligo. "There are some really challenging breaks for really experienced surfers, but

there are also really great beaches for learning how to surf."

The damp, cold weather is another challenge for surfers. Even in summer, water temperatures in Ireland don't average much more than 60 degrees in July and August; in winter, they are more like 50.

"Ireland, like many surfing destinations around the globe, should have some special pre-planning," said Alan Atkins, vice president of the International Surfing Association. He adds that April to May and September to November are the better seasons for surfing, but if you're planning to visit in the cold months of the year, make sure you have a full win-

ter wetsuit — boots, gloves and hood. He recommends researching conditions at a Web site like Globalsurfers.com.

The sport certainly doesn't spring to mind when most people envision Ireland; the country is more likely equated with white-washed stone walls, grazing sheep and lively pubs. Britton, Ireland's three-time national champion and current British Pro Tour champ, said she often gets funny looks when she turns up at international competitions with an Irish accent.

"When I travel, people still find it quite unusual to find that there's a big surf scene in Ireland," she said.

SHEILA FLYNN (AP)

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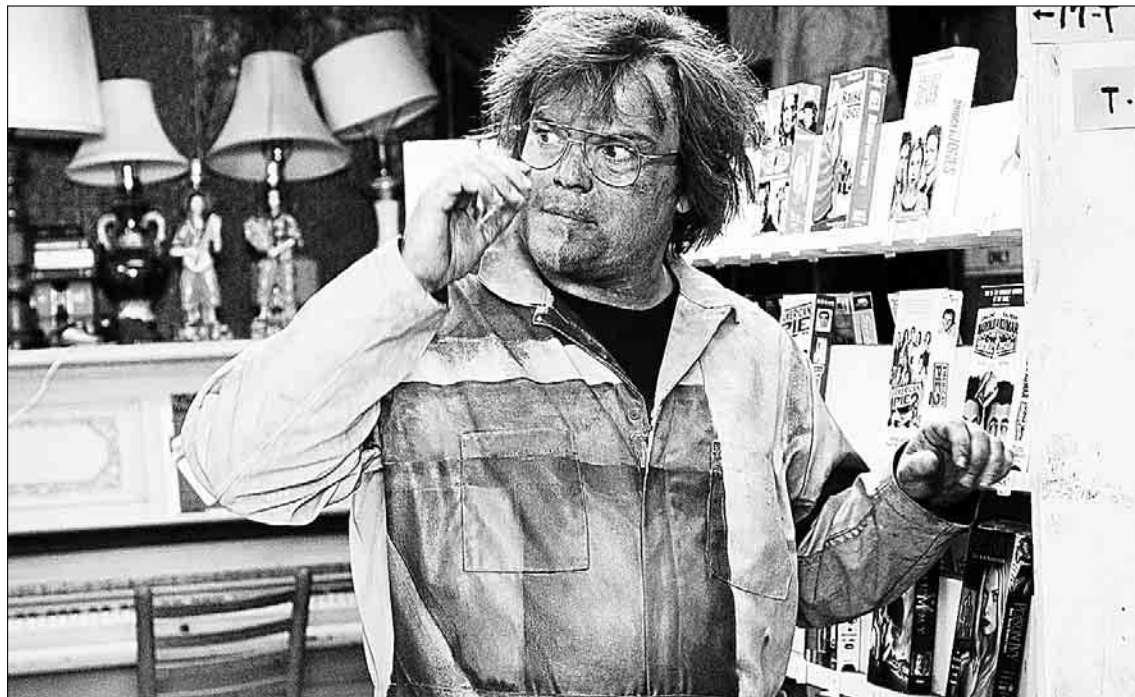
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A SOLEMN TASK: Jude Law, pictured, Johnny Depp and Colin Farrell will appear as Heath Ledger's character in the unfinished film "The Imaginarium of Doctor Parnassus." They will all play the role of Tony in the fantasy, which Ledger had been filming before his death.

Entertainment



PLAN HATCHER: After Jerry (Jack Black) accidentally erases a video store full of tapes, he inventively replaces them.

Home Videos

Jack Black, Mos Def improve on VHS hits in 'Be Kind Rewind'

LOW-BUDGET | Funnyman Jack Black and French filmmaker Michel Gondry have known each other for either 10 years or five, depending on who you ask.

Gondry, a music video director turned filmmaker ("Eternal Sun-

shine of the Spotless Mind") insists he met Black a decade ago, when they were both up and coming artists working outside mainstream Hollywood.

"Is that even possibly true?" responds a bewildered Black when asked about it in a separate interview. "I think he's making stuff up. We met in 2003."

One fact the two men agree on is this: They've wanted to work

together for a long time.

"He interests me in his inventiveness," says Black of Gondry.

"We like doing our own thing and not being part of the system," says Gondry.

Other commitments delayed their collaboration, but now we have "Be Kind Rewind," a heartwarming comedy written and directed by Gondry and starring Black and Mos Def.

A decidedly unique artist with a fertile imagination, Gondry showed Black a hand-drawn comic book he'd made depicting what he had in mind for "Be Kind Rewind." It was a story about two friends, one a video store clerk named Mike (Def), the other a peculiar but harmless mechanic named Jerry (Black). They find themselves in a jam when Jerry, in a failed attempt to sabotage the local power plant, becomes magnetized and accidentally erases all of the tapes at Mike's video store while his boss is away. (The elderly owner, played by Danny Glover, doesn't stock DVDs; they're too modern for his taste and that of his blue-collar clientele.) With the stock wiped out, what are Mike and Jerry to do?

They decide to remake the erased movies themselves, using a home video camera and hastily made props. Their so-called "Sweding" technique — a term Gondry coined that is catching on in cyberspace — is crude, but the customers don't seem to object.

Their remakes of blockbusters like "Ghostbusters," "RoboCop," "Rush Hour" and "The Lion King" become hits in their blue-collar New Jersey neighborhood, especially as more locals are incorporated into each new production. The once dying storefront becomes a hot business. But Mike and Jerry's problems aren't exactly over. The possibly historic building housing the video store is slated for demolition, and there's a little matter of copyright infringement they have to contend with. **ANGELA DAWSON** (ENTERTAINMENT NEWS WIRE)

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DEEPAK CHOPRA Complex Guy

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JANN ARDEN AND HOLLY COLE Love/Hate Ballads

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'American' Excess on DVD

'Gangster's' watchable features are buried in a pile of snoozers

DVD | Ridley Scott is no minimalist when it comes to putting his films on DVD. Last December, a collector's edition of his "Blade Runner" delivered four versions of the sci-fi classic. The director's most recent project, "American Gangster," follows a similar pattern, arriving yesterday in a two-disc extended edition (\$19.98)

that includes the original theatrical release, already at a hefty running time of two hours and 38 minutes, and a longer version with 19 more minutes of movie added. (If that's not enough, another version with three discs worth of material was also released yesterday.)

Add in some sizeable extras, and one starts to wonder who has the appetite to digest so much Denzel Washington. Here is what's worth watching: The original version of "Gangster" — which earned two



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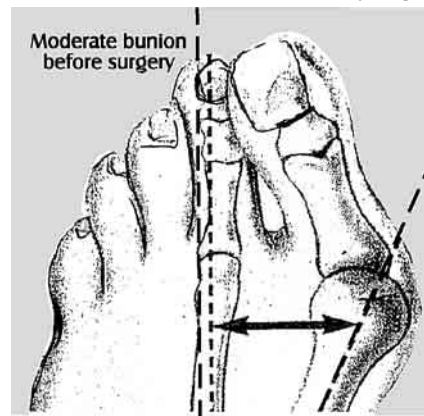
Academy Award nominations, including one for steely supporting actress Ruby Dee — and "Fallen Empire: The Making of 'American Gangster,'" which follows the film from conception to its shoot to the editing room.

Now here is what you can skip: the mostly drowsy commentary track by Scott and screenwriter Steve Zail-lian; the mildly interesting "Case File" featurettes; and the extended edition of the film. **JEN CHANEY** (WASHINGTONPOST.COM)

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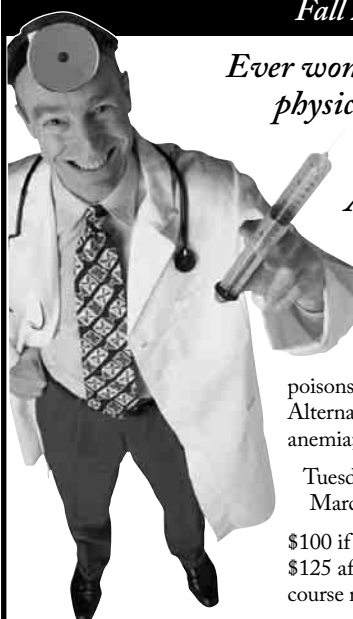
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WELCOME HOME ROSCOE JENKINS (PG13) 2:30, 5:30, 8:30
THE EYE (PG13) 6:35, 9:00
MEET THE SPARTANS (PG13) 9:50 PM
RAMBO (R) 2:00, 7:10
UNTRACEABLE (R) 6:30, 9:10
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NATIONAL TREASURE: BOOK OF SECRETS (PG) 1:00, 4:05
ALVIN AND THE CHIPMUNKS (PG) 1:15, 4:10
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NO COUNTRY FOR OLD MEN (R) 4:55
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RAMBO (R) 3:25, 8:05
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THE DIVING BELL AND THE BUTTERFLY (PG13) 2:30, 4:50, 7:20
JUNO (PG13) 2:10, 4:30, 7:10
PERSEPOLIS (PG13) 1:50
THE SAVAGES (R) 1:40, 4:20, 7:50

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THE EYE (PG13) 7:55, 10:15
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RAMBO (R) 5:35
UNTRACEABLE (R) 9:55 PM
27 DRESSES (PG13) 1:45, 4:25, 7:25, 10:05
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HOW SHE MOVE (PG13) 12:10, 5:10, 10:10
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CHARLIE WILSON'S WAR (R) 2:35, 5:10, 7:50
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IN BRUGES (R) 1:40, 4:20, 7:20, 10:00
NO COUNTRY FOR OLD MEN (R) 1:30, 4:30, 7:35, 10:25
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Television



THE ONCE-FAMOUS AND THE B-LISTERS: The cast of “Dancing With the Stars 6” has been announced! The group includes Adam Carolla, pictured, Penn Jillette, Kristi Yamaguchi, Monica Seles, Steve Guttenberg, Priscilla Presley and Mario.

Continuous Cycle

‘Top Model’ begins its 10th (yes, 10th) go-round on the CW

SKINNY | Reality shows pop up and reintroduce themselves so frequently that they don’t even call them “seasons” anymore. According to the network, we’re now on the 10th “cycle” of “America’s Next Top Model” (8 p.m., CW). Cycle 10 begins with a glance back at the first nine installments, complete with a recap of bar fights, bad-hair days, gravity-defying photo shoots and catastrophic catwalks. Thirty-five worthies arrive at



NU-UH, GIRL! Tyra sits alert and ready to judge on “America’s Next Top Model.”

a prep-school setting, where they are forced to change into identical schoolgirl outfits and listen to their headmasters, Jay Manuel and J. Alexander. Both do a credible job of playing the stern taskmasters, with Alexander lecturing the women in a deep voice while peering down from an absurd set of half-glasses. Just when “Model” seems most absurd and formulaic, deep profundity breaks out all over. One of the contestants, a striking young woman born in Somalia, says she was “circumcised” at the age of 7. Her discussion of the cultural rite of genital mutilation not only drags this show away from its more frivolous extremes but also raises awareness of a serious subject. KEVIN MCDONOUGH (UNITED FEATURE SYNDICATE)

ON TV TONIGHT

MAKE EYES AT SIMON
The top 12 female contestants compete on **AMERICAN IDOL** (8 p.m., Fox).
MINI-CELEBS BEHAVING BADLY
A former Wilson Phillips star proves that even celebrities need the **SUPERNANNY** (9 p.m., ABC).
THE GHOUL OF ALL GHOULS
GHOST HUNTERS INTERNATIONAL (9 p.m., Sci Fi) visits Frankenstein’s castle.
SOURCE OF TRAUMA
Sophie recalls her accident on **IN TREATMENT** (9:30 p.m., HBO).
CUTTING REMARKS
All of the rejected designers return for a season-four reunion on **PROJECT RUNWAY** (10 p.m., Bravo).
FRASIER AND TWO DAVES
Kelsey Grammer and the Foo Fighters



GROHL AND CO.: Grammy Award-winners the Foo Fighters are on **Letterman**. appear on **THE LATE SHOW WITH DAVID LETTERMAN** (11:35 p.m., CBS).
FUNNY GUYS
Johnny Knoxville and Ben Kronberg appear on **JIMMY KIMMEL LIVE** (12:05 a.m., ABC). KEVIN MCDONOUGH (UNITED FEATURE SYNDICATE)

2.20.08	6:00 PM	6:30	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
LOCAL CHANNELS	WRC 4 News (N) ☐			NBC Nightly News	Access Hollywood	Deal or No Deal (iTV) (N) ☐ ☐	Law & Order: Criminal Intent "Smile"	Law & Order "Executioner" (N) ☐	News (N) ☐		News (N) ☐	Tonight Show
	WTTG 5 News (N) ☐	TMZ (N) ☐ ☐	The Simpsons ☐	Seinfeld ☐ ☐	American Idol Female singers perform. (N) ☐ ☐		News (N) ☐		News (N) ☐		News (N) ☐	TMZ ☐ ☐
	WJLA 7 News (N) ☐	ABC Wild News	Wheel of Fortune	Jeopardy! (N)	Wife Swap "Blankenship/Phillips" (N)	Supernanny "Wilson-Knutson Family"	Cashmere Mafia "Dog Eat Dog" (N)	News (N) ☐	News (N) ☐		News (N) ☐	(35) Nightline (N)
	WUSA 9 News (N) ☐	Evening News	News	Entertainment	Big Brother: 'Til Death Do You Part	Criminal Minds "Lucky" ☐ ☐	CSI: NY "Time's Up" ☐ ☐	News (N) ☐	News (N) ☐		News (N) ☐	Late Show
	WDCB 20 Judge Judy (N) ☐	Judge Joe Brown	King of Queens	King of Queens	Whacked Out	Whacked Out	College Basketball Virginia Tech at Maryland. (Live)	Law & Order: Criminal Intent ☐			Law & Order: Criminal Intent ☐	
	WMPT 22 The NewsHour With Jim Lehrer (N)	Business Rpt.	Business Rpt.	Artworks-Week	America's Ballroom Challenge (N) ☐	Great Performances "Company" Stephen Sondheim's musical "Company" stars Raúl Esparza.					Smart Travels	
	WETA 26 BBC World News	The NewsHour With Jim Lehrer (N)	The NewsHour With Jim Lehrer (N)	America's Ballroom Challenge (N) ☐	America's Ballroom Challenge (N) ☐	Great Performances "Company" Stephen Sondheim's musical "Company" stars Raúl Esparza.					Charlie Rose (N) ☐	Charlie Rose (N)
	WHUT 32 Business Schl	Tavis Smiley ☐	BBC World News	Moneywise	Prince Among Slaves ☐ (DVS)	Marines of Montford Point: Fighting	BBC World News	Tavis Smiley ☐	Charlie Rose (N) ☐		Charlie Rose (N) ☐	
	WDCW 50 My Wife and Kids	Family Guy ☐	Two/Half Men	Two/Half Men	America's Next Top Model ☐ ☐	Pussycat Dolls Present: Girlicious ☐	Friends ☐ ☐	Friends ☐ ☐	Family Guy ☐		Family Guy ☐	Sex and the City
BASIC CABLE	A&E	Cold Case Files ☐	CSI: Miami "Double Cap" ☐ ☐	CSI: Miami "Recoil" ☐ ☐	CSI: Miami "Vengeance" ☐ ☐	CSI: Miami "Whacked" ☐ ☐	CSI: Miami "10-7" ☐ ☐					
	Animal	The Crocodile Hunter ☐	Africa's Outsiders	Unusual animals.	Blue Planet: Seas of Life ☐	Blue Planet: Seas of Life ☐	Animal Precinct "Lost and Found"	Blue Planet: Seas of Life ☐	Animal Precinct "Lost and Found"		Blue Planet: Seas of Life ☐	
	BET	106 & Park: BET's Top 10 Live (N) ☐		*** "The Color Purple" (1985, Drama) Whoopi Goldberg, Danny Glover. Based on Alice Walker's portrait of a rural black woman. ☐			Malcolm & Eddie	Malcolm & Eddie	Malcolm & Eddie		Malcolm & Eddie	Malcolm & Eddie
	Bravo	Project Runway "On Garde!" ☐	Project Runway ☐	Project Runway ☐	Project Runway "The Art of Fashion"	Project Runway "Reunion" (N) ☐	Project Runway "Reunion" ☐					
	Comedy	(5:00) *** "Cadillac Man" (1990)	Scrubs ☐ ☐	Scrubs ☐ ☐	Daily Show	Colbert Report	Futurama ☐	South Park ☐	South Park ☐	Reno 911! (N)	Daily Show	Colbert Report
	Court	World's Wildest Police Videos ☐	Cops ☐ ☐	Cops ☐ ☐	Most Shocking (N)	Most Daring	World's Wildest	Smash Lab Insulation. (N)	MythBusters "Steam Cannon" ☐	MythBusters "Steam Cannon" ☐	Forensic Files	Forensic Files
	Discovery	Cash Cab ☐	Cash Cab ☐	How It's Made	How It's Made	Future Weapons "Non-Lethal Special"	MythBusters "MacGyver" (N) ☐					
	DISCH	Code Blue "Fighting the Good Fight"	Trauma: Life in the ER ☐	Trauma: Life in the ER "Speed Fever"	Plastic Surgery Beverly Hills ☐	Body Fantastic ☐	Trauma: Life in the ER "Speed Fever"					
	Disney	Wizards-Place	Wizards-Place	Hannah Montana	Zack & Cody	(15) "Go Figure" (2005, Drama) Jordan Hinson, Whitney Sloan. ☐ ☐	That's So Raven	Life With Derek	Zack & Cody	Hannah Montana		
	E!	THS-Spring Break Nightmares	E! News (N)	The Daily 10 (N)	25 Most Sensational Hollywood Meltdowns	Hollywood breakdowns.	Snoop Father	Snoop Father	E! News	Chelsea Lately		
	FX	*** "The Transporter 2" (2005, Action) Jason Statham, Amber Valletta.			*** "Terminator 3: Rise of the Machines" (2003) Arnold Schwarzenegger, Nick Stahl.							
	HGTV	Rezoned	If Walls Could	House Worth?	House Hunters	Designed to Sell	Get It Sold	Deserving Design	Design on a Dime	House Hunters (N)	Sleep on It (N)	Desperate Spaces
	Family	*** "Casper" (1995, Fantasy) Christina Ricci, Bill Pullman. ☐				*** "Casper" (1995, Fantasy) Christina Ricci, Bill Pullman. ☐				America's Funniest Home Videos ☐	The 700 Club ☐	What's-House?
	History	Shootout! "Wild West" ☐	Modern Marvels: Taxidermy ☐	Modern Marvels: The Butcher ☐	MonsterQuest "Birdzilla" ☐	UFO Hunters "Crash and Retrieval"	UFO Hunters "Crash and Retrieval"					
	Lifetime	Reba ☐ ☐	Reba ☐ ☐	Still Standing ☐	Still Standing ☐	"Fatal Reunion" (2005, Suspense) Erika Eleniak, David Millbern. ☐	Will & Grace ☐	Will & Grace ☐	Will & Grace ☐			
	MTV	Made Hip hop dancer. ☐	Made "Girly Girl" ☐	Making the Band 4 ☐	Real World -- Road Rules Challenge	Real World -- Road Rules Challenge	The X Effect ☐	The X Effect ☐	The X Effect ☐			
	NICK	SpongeBob	SpongeBob	iCarly ☐ ☐	Naked Brothers	Drake & Josh ☐	Drake & Josh ☐	Home Improve.	Home Improve.	George Lopez ☐	George Lopez ☐	Fresh Prince
	SCI FI	Stargate SG-1 "Pretense" ☐ ☐	Ghost Hunters ☐ ☐	Ghost Hunters "Shadow People" ☐	Ghost Hunters International (N) ☐	Ghost Hunters International (N) ☐	UFC Unleashed ☐	UFC Unleashed ☐	UFC Unleashed ☐			
	SPIKE	CSI: Crime Scene Investigation ☐	CSI: Crime Scene Investigation ☐	CSI: Crime Scene Investigation ☐	Family Guy ☐	Family Guy ☐	House of Payne	House of Payne	House of Payne	House of Payne	Sex and the City	Sex and the City
	TBS	Friends ☐ ☐	Every-Raymond	Every-Raymond	Every-Raymond	Family Guy ☐	Family Guy ☐	House of Payne	House of Payne	House of Payne	Sex and the City	Sex and the City
	TLC	Property Ladder Condo project. ☐	Big as Life: Obesity in America ☐	The 750-Pound Man ☐	Dr. G: Medical Examiner	Big Medicine "Obesity and Children"	The 750-Pound Man ☐					
	TNT	Law & Order "Myth of Fingerprints"	Law & Order "Genius" ☐ ☐ (DVS)	Law & Order "Obsession" ☐	*** "Enough" (2002, Suspense) Jennifer Lopez, Billy Campbell. ☐	*** "Hostage" (2005) Bruce Willis. A former hostage negotiator tries to help a captive family.	Law Order: CI					
	USA	Law & Order: Criminal Intent ☐	Law & Order: Criminal Intent ☐	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit ☐	What Perez Sez About Divas ☐	The Flavor of Love ☐	The Flavor of Love ☐					
	VH1	20 Greatest Oscar Moments ☐	Celebrity Rehab With Dr. Drew ☐									
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SPORTS	ESPN	SportsCenter (Live) ☐	College Basketball North Carolina at North Carolina State. (Live) ☐	NBA Basketball Los Angeles Lakers at Phoenix Suns. From US Airways Center in Phoenix. ☐	SportsCenter							
	ESPN2	NASCAR Now	Rome-Burning	College Basketball Marquette at St. John's. (Live) ☐	College Basketball Kansas State at Nebraska. (Live) ☐	SportsCenter	Gamenight					
	CSN	SportsNite ☐	SportsNite ☐	NHL Hockey New York Islanders at Washington Capitals. (Subject to Blackout) (S Live)	SportsNite ☐	SportsNite (Live) ☐	Washington Post Live					
NEWS	CNN	(4:00) The Situation Room	Lou Dobbs Tonight ☐	CNN Election Center	Larry King Live ☐	Anderson Cooper 360 ☐						
	FNC	Special Report ☐	The Fox Report With Shepard Smith	Hannity & Colmes ☐	On the Record-Van Susteren	The O'Reilly Factor						
	MSNBC	Tucker	Hardball ☐	Countdown With Keith Olbermann	Live With Dan Abrams	Dead Men Talking: The Buried Man	Dead Men Talking: Trail of Evidence					
MOVIES	AMC	(3:30) *** "The Godfather, Part II" (1974, Drama) Al Pacino. 'R' ☐	*** "The Godfather, Part III" (1990, Crime Drama) Al Pacino, Diane Keaton. A dignified don joins his wild nephew in a Sicilian vendetta. 'R' ☐									
	TCM	*** "One, Two, Three" (1961, Comedy) James Cagney. 'NR' ☐	*** "Some Like It Hot" (1959, Comedy) Tony Curtis. 'NR' ☐	(15) *** "Stalag 17" (1953, War) William Holden. 'NR' ☐								
	HBO	(5:30) *** "Blue Streak" (1999) PG-13	(15) "Bernard and Doris" (2008, Docudrama) Susan Sarandon. ☐ 'NR' ☐	In Treatment ☐	In Treatment (N)	Real Time With Bill Maher ☐ ☐	The Wire "Took" ☐ ☐					
	MAX	(5:20) *** "Die Hard 2" (1990) Bruce Willis. 'R' ☐	*** "The Departed" (2006, Crime Drama) Leonardo DiCaprio, Matt Damon. ☐ 'R' ☐	*** "Music and Lyrics" (2007) Hugh Grant, Brad Garrett. ☐ 'PG-13' ☐								
	SHOW	*** "Employee of the Month" (2006) Dane Cook. iTV. ☐ 'PG-13' ☐	The L Word (iTV) Oil wrestling. ☐	*** "Saw III" (2006, Horror) Tobin Bell, Shawnee Smith. iTV. ☐ 'R' ☐								
	TMC	(15) *** "Twelve and Holding" (2005) Conor Donovan. ☐ 'R' ☐	*** "Meatballs" (1979) Bill Murray. ☐ 'PG' ☐	(15) *** "The Pink Panther" (2006, Comedy) Steve Martin. ☐ 'PG' ☐								
	STARZ!	(5:20) *** "Ultraviolet" (2006) PG-13	(6:50) *** "Open Season" (2006, Comedy) ☐ 'PG' ☐	(25) *** "Are We Done Yet?" (2007) Ice Cube. 'PG' ☐	Head Case (N) ☐	Hollywd Res.	Head Case ☐					
	ENCORE	(10) *** "Romancing the Stone" (1984) Michael Douglas. ☐ 'PG' ☐	*** "10 Things I Hate About You" (1999) Heath Ledger.	(40) *** "The Frighteners" (1996, Suspense) Michael J. Fox. ☐ 'R' ☐								

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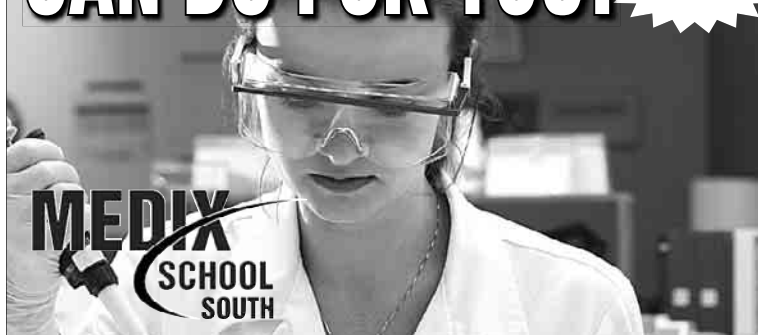
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Motion From the Ocean

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Underwater turbines could provide clean and infinite energy

Just 15 miles off Florida's coast, the world's most powerful sustained ocean current — the mighty Gulf Stream — rushes by at nearly 8.5 billion gallons per second. And it never stops.

To scientists, it represents a tantalizing possibility: a new, plentiful and uninterrupted source of clean energy.

Florida Atlantic University researchers say the current could someday be used to drive thousands of underwater turbines, produce as much energy as perhaps 10 nuclear plants and supply one-third of Florida's electricity. A small test turbine is expected to be installed within months.

"We can produce power 24/7," said Frederick Driscoll, director of the university's Center of Excellence in Ocean Energy Technology. Using a \$5 million research grant from the state, the university is working to develop the technology in hopes that big energy and engineering companies will eventually build huge underwater arrays of turbines.

From Oregon to Maine, Europe to Australia and beyond, researchers are looking to the sea — currents,

tides and waves — for its infinite energy. So far, there are no commercial-scale projects in the U.S. delivering electricity to the grid.

Because the technology is still taking shape, it is too soon to say how much it might cost. But researchers hope to make it as cost-effective as fossil fuels. While the initial investment may be higher, the currents that drive the machinery are free.

There are still many unknowns and risks. One fear is the "Cuisinart effect": The spinning underwater blades could chop up fish and other creatures.

Researchers said the underwater turbines would pose little risk to passing ships. The equipment would be moored to the ocean floor, with the tops of the blades spinning 30 to 40 feet below the surface, because that's where the Gulf Stream flows fastest. But standard navigation equipment on ocean vessels could easily guide them around the turbine fields if their hulls reached that deep, researchers said.

And unlike offshore wind turbines, which have run into opposition from environmentalists worried that the technology would spoil the ocean view, the machinery would be invisible from the surface, with only a few buoys marking the fields.

David White of the Ocean Conservancy said much of the technology is largely untested in the outdoors, so it is too soon to say what the environmental effects might be.

"We understand that there are

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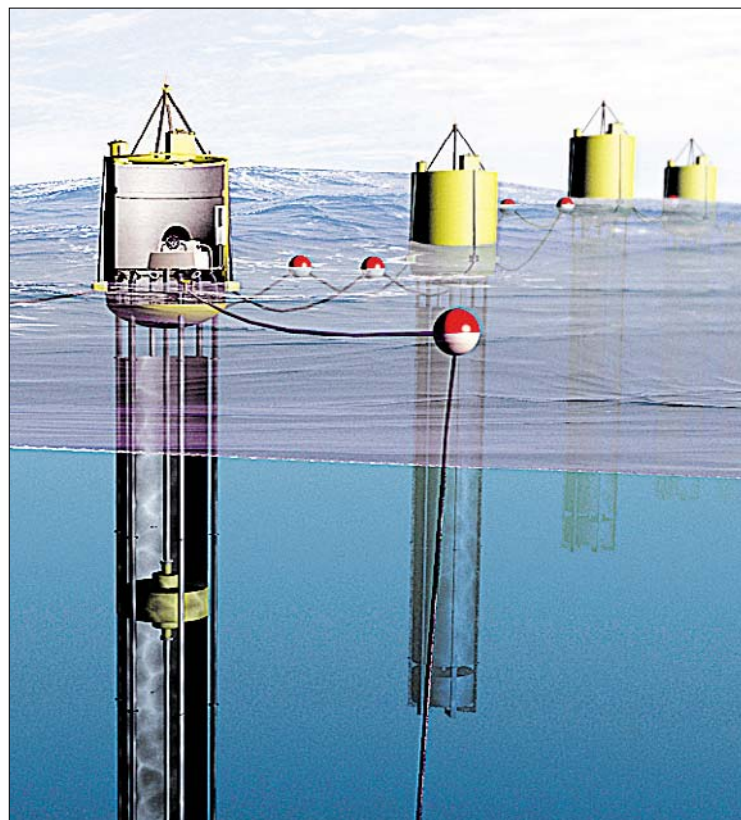


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SCIENCE AT SEA: James VanZwieten and Frederick Driscoll conduct energy experiments in Florida's Intracoastal Waterway.



SMARTER THAN THE AVERAGE BUOY: An artist's rendition of 35-ton buoys containing turbines. When water enters the turbines, the buoys spin to create power.

environmental trade-offs, and we need to start looking to alternative energy, and everything should be on the table," he said. "But what are the environmental consequences? We

just don't know that yet."

The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission has issued 47 preliminary permits for ocean, wave and tidal energy projects, said spokes-

woman Celeste Miller. Most such permits grant rights just to study an area's energy-producing potential, not to build anything.

The field has been dealt some setbacks. An ocean test last year ended in disaster when its \$2 million buoy off Oregon's coast sank to the sea floor. Similarly, a small test project using turbines powered by tidal currents in New York City's East River ran into trouble last year after turbine blades broke.

The Gulf Stream is about 30 miles wide and shifts only slightly in its course, passing closer to Florida than to any other major land mass. "It's the best location in the world to harness ocean current power," Driscoll said.

Researchers on the West Coast, where the currents are not as powerful, are looking instead to waves to generate power.

Canada-based Finavera Renewables has received a FERC license to test a wave energy project in Washington state. It will eventually include four buoys in a bay and generate enough power for up to 700 homes. The 35-ton buoys rise above the water about 6 feet and extend about 60 feet down. Inside each buoy, a piston rises and falls with the waves. BRIAN SKOLOFF (AP)

'80s Tunes Now Oldies

Music

Radio stations update program formats with newer 'classic hits'

The music blaring from the speakers of a pub on a recent Friday night seemed like typical oldies fare: Aretha Franklin's "Respect," the 1970s tune "Disco Lady" and the 1950s surf instrumental "Tequila." Then, "Karma Chameleon" — the 1983 hit by Culture Club — came on.

The music was from a New York-based station that plays hits from the 1980s, along with oldies mainstays from the '60s and '70s and occasionally, the '50s. The format change — along with similar moves at other stations around the country — shows that the '80s are slowly becoming the new oldies.

Station executives said the decision makes perfect sense, considering the changing demographics of radio. Research found that the tra-



Radio personality Bob Shannon plays "New York's Greatest Hits" on WCBS-FM.

ditional oldies audience was moving out of advertisers' coveted 25-to-54 demographic, and that adding '80s would be a good way to maintain that lucrative audience.

The result: "Let's Hear it for the Boy" (1984) and "Caribbean Queen" (1985) share airtime with more traditional oldies like "The Way You

Do the Things You Do" (1964) by the Temptations and "Proud Mary" (1969) by Creedence Clearwater Revival.

Not that the station calls them oldies — "classic hits" is the favored term.

"We discovered the word 'oldies' symbolized music from the

'Let's Hear it for the Boy' (1984) shares airtime with more traditional oldies like 'The Way You Do the Things You Do' (1964).

jukebox era," said Brian Thomas, the station's program director and vice president of classic hits programming.

The origins of the format switch date back a few years.

WCBS-FM started in 1972 and grew to become the nation's No. 1 oldies station and New York's No. 8 in Arbitron ratings. But in 2005, the station changed formats to "Jack." Considered to be the hot trend in radio programming, "Jack" was designed to attract a younger crowd by playing songs from the '70s through the most recent releases at the time.

But the station's ratings fell.

"I only listened to WCBS-FM from July 1972 until June 3, 2005,"

said Cara Sieden, 52 of Floral Park, N.Y. "I was crushed. ... I felt like someone in my family died."

The station scrapped the "Jack" format last summer in favor of "New York's Greatest Hits." The new format seems to be working: The station jumped to No. 3 in the ratings a few months after the change.

Oldies stations across the country are evolving for similar reasons. WQRV-FM in Huntsville, Ala., formerly an oldies station, changed to classic hits two years ago. They dropped the '60s and now play '70s and '80s. KQLL-FM in Tulsa, Okla., converted to a classic hits station last year. They no longer play early '60s music. The format changes were ratings successes.

Thomas says the incorporation of '80s music isn't that different from the station's original oldies days.

Changing to classic hits is "like the Senior Tour in golf now being called the Champions Tour," he said. "It's the same age group, but they don't consider themselves seniors."

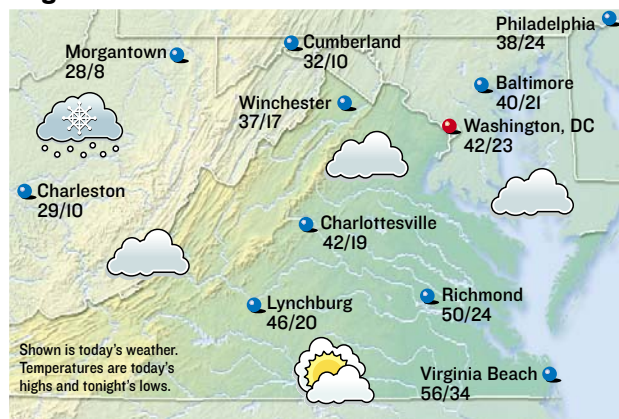
Bob Shannon, one of WCBS-FM's popular on-air personalities, said the term "oldies" may be obsolete.

"Music is everywhere now," said Shannon. "It's not just about good times and good memories anymore. It's about good music. It transcends the time period." ARIAN SMEDLEY (AP)

5 Day Forecast for the Washington Area

Today	Tonight	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
An afternoon rain or snow shower	Partly cloudy and very cold	Partly sunny; snow at night	Snow or ice, then rain	Mostly cloudy, rain possible	Mostly sunny
42°	23°	38° / 28°	39° / 33°	44° / 29°	46° / 31°

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Temperature

High	50°
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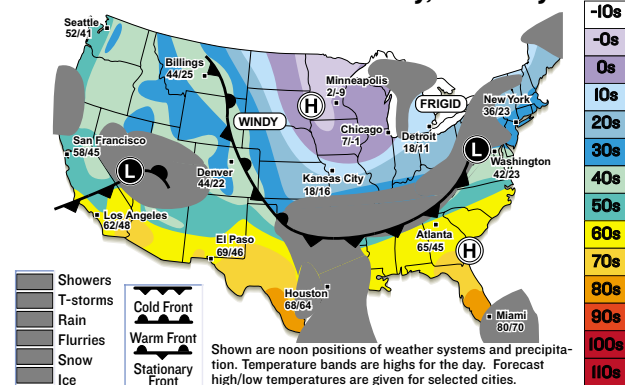
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Sun and Moon

Sunrise today	6:54 a.m.
Sunset tonight	5:50 p.m.
Moonrise today	5:35 p.m.
Moonset today	6:38 a.m.



National Weather for Wednesday, February 20



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City	Today Hi/Low/W	Thur. Hi/Low/W
Atlanta	65/45/pc	55/45/r
Boston	37/19/sf	31/21/s
Chicago	7/-1/pc	18/14/sn
Dallas	60/46/r	50/42/r
Denver	44/22/pc	46/24/c
Honolulu	82/69/s	82/68/s
Los Angeles	62/48/c	62/52/c
Miami	80/70/pc	84/72/pc
New York City	36/23/sf	32/24/s
Orlando	72/58/s	80/62/pc
Seattle	52/41/c	50/40/r

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City	Today Hi/Low/W	Thur. Hi/Low/W
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Athens	57/41/s	59/43/pc
Berlin	48/36/c	46/36/pc
Buenos Aires	91/66/pc	84/70/s
Calgary	43/25/s	41/25/s
Dublin	48/39/r	50/43/sh
Geneva	45/36/c	49/40/r
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Styles

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Walk This Way

Socks and heels? Do we dare? Tips on doing the look right

Ever since our tragic middle-school science teacher wore Birkenstocks with sport socks, we've considered the sandals-and-socks combination to be one of fashion's biggest sins. But after watching Anna Sui, John Galliano and Rei Kawakubo send models down their spring catwalks

(1) Donna Do

It: Blue DKNY stockings (\$13.50) accent patent leather Steve Madden T-Straps (\$159). **(2) Go Glossy:** Cocoa Wolford tights (\$42) enhance classy and golden Moschino platforms (\$525) **(3) Sui Style:** Anna Sui is just one of the designers who trotted out models wearing anklets and open-toe kicks at spring runway shows. Believe it.



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wearing anklets with open heels, our position began to wobble.

Then Hermes and Givenchy picked up on Balenciaga's fall tights-and-sandals concept. And a bevy of stylish celebrities — including Julianne Moore and Jessica Alba — started turning up on red carpets in open heels with opaque tights ... and, then, well, we had to admit: It looked pretty good.

That's where things got sticky.

Just try pairing tights and sandals on your own. Patterned or solid? Black or colored? Chunky shoes or stilettos? It was worse than an organic chemistry equation.

So, we asked Eric Daman, the costume designer on "Gossip Girl," how to do it right.

The show is the small screen's latest answer to a fashion glossy, and all season he has outfitted young stars Blake Lively, Taylor Momsen and Leighton Meester in a refined designer wardrobe.

Though he frequently matches open-toe footwear with tights and socks on "Gossip Girl," Daman also knows the look can be a disaster in real life.

Novices should start with a simple peep-toe pump and solid opaque tight. After that, high-heel T-straps or platform sandals work best. For formal fetes, delicate stilettos look sleek with opaque tights. But avoid this season's popular gladiator sandal and anything with a lot of straps. Monochromatic shoes are much easier than shoes with wooden heels. Playful knee socks are another popular "Gossip Girl" look but are a no-no with thin stilettos. "It comes off a little too kittenish."

Decide if you're going for a sophisticated or good-humored look. For exceptionally grown-up protagonist Serena (Lively) and her best friend, Blair Waldorf (Meester), Daman uses dark colors and polished footwear to convey their 17-going-on-38 mentality. For a more amusing look, try lighter colored heels matched with textured tights. Speaking of amusing, it's best to remember Carrie Bradshaw's dreaded hot pants before copping a look straight from the screen; Jenny Humphrey's (Momsen) knee socks and lace-up sandals don't work quite as well on the set of real life. ERIN WEINGER (LAT)

Beauty



Evil Twins

Initially, we loved the concept of **GUERLAIN LE 2 DE MASCARA**, which has two wands for the price of ... well, two (it's \$35 at Sephora). The first brush promises volume and curl, yet dispenses enough product to reproduce a Jackson Pollock piece. The heavy formula even reversed the work of our trusty eyelash curler—the nerve! The second wand, with a smaller brush and slight angle, is meant to accentuate hard-to-reach inner and outer lashes, but we just ended up with inner and outer clumps. But the stuff is fairly durable — no raccoon eyes after a sweaty run. We're also intrigued by the blue and violet hues. Those would be some truly exotic tarantula lashes.

ERIN CLEMENTS RUSHING

Beauty

Color Me Pigmentful



We know, the word **PIGMENT** doesn't scream sexy. But when applied to the right place at the right time (which, respectively, is to your cheekbones or eyelids before a night out), Urban Decay's shimmery loose powders (in 12 shades, \$20 each, Sephora) will make you shine brighter than the most frantic strobe light at the club. We like golden Baked and glinty white Yeyo; for bolder night crawlers, there's also pink, green and black.

KARMAH ELMUSA (EXPRESS)

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ENTERTAINMENT

'Toon 'Types

Since 1968, Warner Bros. has locked away its most racially insensitive cartoons, and numerous animated flicks have been edited to conform to today's standards. But thanks to the Internet and bootlegs, these long-suppressed cartoons are starting to surface again. Paul Stelter investigates. | COMING UP



TELEVISION

Free Radicals

Turn off the Food Network, and tune into "The Hippy Gourmet," starring Bruce Brennan, a longtime chef and lifetime hippie. Stefanie Gans spoke with the beret-friendly Brennan and producer James Ehrlich, asking the duo a series of organic Express 5 questions. | COMING UP

ENTERTAINMENT

The Boys Club

From the Gavin Rossdale gruffness of Australian Michael Johns to the John Mayer rasp of 16-year-old David Archuleta, the Top 12 guys brought out the big guns to keep their spots on "American Idol." Greg Barber recaps the two-hour TV extravaganza. | COMING UP



comment board

“No crackdowns

on street racing are needed. Crackdowns on speeding cops are needed. Crackdowns on crooked cops are needed.”

COMMENTER ME, WHO ADDED, “THEY CAN DRIVE OVER AND CRACK DOWN ON BALTIMORE'S BULLY COPS, TOO.”

“Street racers

tend to know each other, race in the same locations, and promote their activities on YouTube and the like.”

COMMENTER SIMPLE PIG FARMER, WHO ADDED, “STREET RACING IS A ‘CULTURE’ JUST LIKE MOST OTHERS. INFILTRATING THE CULTURE IS KEY.”



“It's a matter of how much

money to spend. Helicopter patrols? Undercover agents? If local citizens don't call in complaints, enforcement costs could run very high.”

COMMENTER CHAOS THEORIST, RESPONDING TO TUESDAY'S POLL CENTER QUESTION, “DO YOU THINK D.C.-AREA POLICE NEED TO CRACK DOWN ON STREET RACING?”

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Blog LOG

“I've never thought of Hillary Clinton as mannish looking. She looks like what she is: a 60-year-old woman.”

A **TOWLEROAD.COM** COMMENTER REACTS TO REMARKS MADE BY TIM GUNN OF “PROJECT RUNWAY” NOTING THE PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE'S LACK OF STYLE.



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“We've now spent so many decades waiting for this moment, for Cuba to be no longer under the rule of Fidel. It's here. Now what?”

ELECTIONGEEK.COM WONDERES WHAT, IF ANYTHING, WILL CHANGE IN CUBA NOW THAT AGING DICTATOR FIDEL CASTRO HAS ANNOUNCED HIS RESIGNATION.



“**WITH GARAGE FEES** at a near-insane level of \$15-\$20 for weekday parking, feeding a meter for six hours was a no-brainer. ... So, yeah, I admit I'm a scofflaw — though I never pulled the old ‘meter broken’ trick.”

A **DC.METBLOGS.COM** CONTRIBUTOR ADMITS TO FEEDING THE METER WHILE WORKING DOWNTOWN. A HABIT D.C. HOPES TO STOP WITH NEW TECHNOLOGY THAT'LL SCAN LICENSE PLATES FOR VIOLATIONS.

“**AFTER A SATURDAY NIGHT** with the girls spent taking on the pasta bowls of [Georgetown's] Filomena and the bourbon list at Old Glory, we were riding high, we were drinking bourbon, we were on our way.”

THEN **SARAHMOFFETT.COM** REPORTS, “TWO DAYS LATER, WE WERE DOWN. TWO OF US TO THE FLU, ONE TO TONSILLITIS AND ONE TO MIAMI. THEY'RE ALL THE SAME, REALLY.”

“**SINCE BANKS** have proven to be unable to make money the old-fashioned way — by earning it — customer fees are coming to be their largest source of revenue.”

CONSUMERIST.COM REACTS TO A STUDY ABOUT HOW ATM FEES ARE ON THE RISE.

Discussions

Digital Television

MEREDITH BAKER, assistant secretary of the National Telecommunications and Information Administration, was online Tuesday to talk about the transition from analog to digital television reception, which will go into effect Feb. 17, 2009.

Just to clarify, this switch from analog to digital does not mean that I will need to have HDTV, but it means that I will no longer get free TV, right? Will I need to have a cable TV service in order to view television?

If you currently receive free, over-the-air TV and you have an old analog television, you have three options:

1. You can subscribe to cable, satellite or another pay service.
2. You can buy a new TV with a digital tuner in it.
3. You can buy a converter box. We have a TV converter box coupon program to provide each household with up to two \$40 coupons toward the price of a TV converter box. However, this third option will give you standard digital TV, not HDTV.

We're leaning toward the option of buying a new television outright and dumping our old relic. Is there

an anticipation that rates for digital TVs will go down in response to higher demand?

The prices for digital televisions in all sizes continue to go down. I saw some last weekend for a little more than \$100.

Are there any plans for the recycling of the large number of analog TVs that people will stop using?

People can go to the Web site Mygreenelectronics.org to find out how to dispose of and/or recycle old TV sets in their communities.

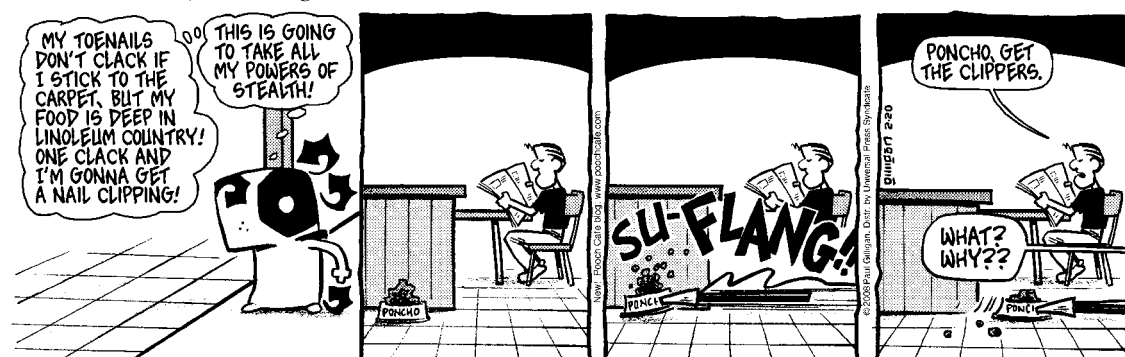
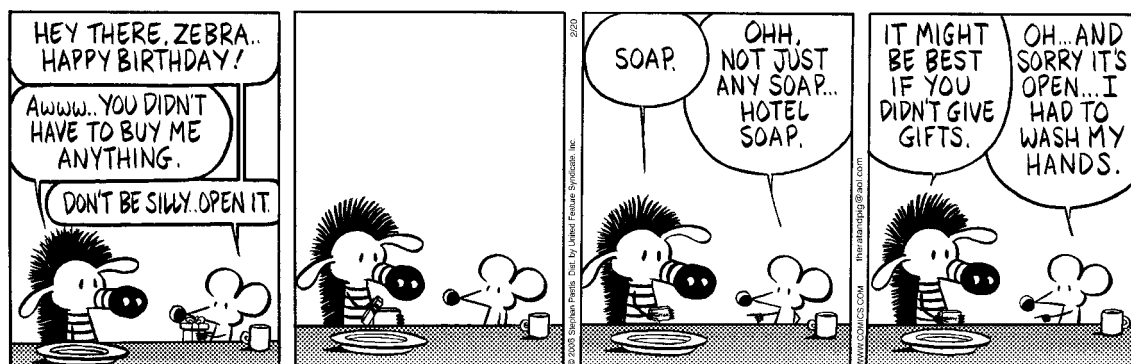
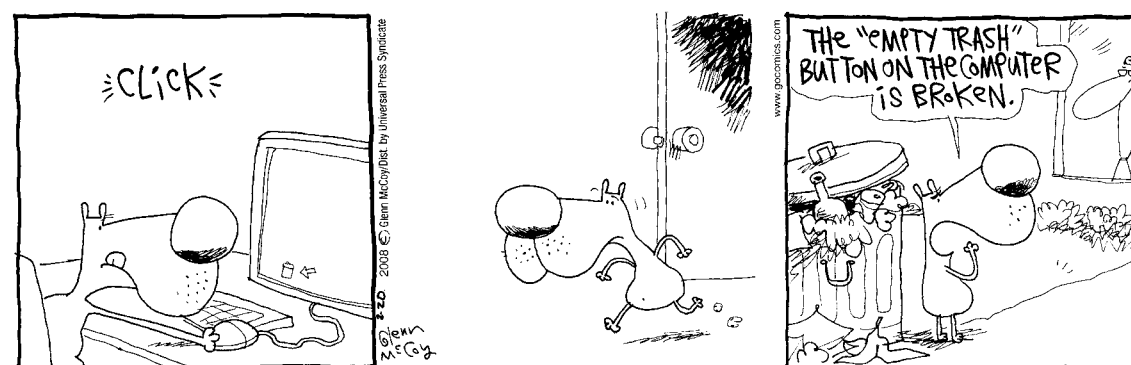
TODAY ON DISCUSSIONS: Post staff writers Ivan Carter and Michael Lee discuss the Washington Wizards and the rest of the NBA at 2 p.m. | washingtonpost.com/discussions.

DO

GET READY TO LOOK AT THE MOON. A total lunar eclipse on Wednesday night will turn the moon a reddish color. A lunar eclipse happens when the moon travels through a dark inner shadow of Earth. Lunar eclipses — unlike solar eclipses — are safe to view with the naked eye.

Bizarro | Dan Piraro

Cornered | Mike Baldwin

Pooch Cafe | Paul Gilligan

Pearls Before Swine | Stephan Pastis

The Duplex | Glenn McCoy


Horoscope

By Stella Wilder

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) Take care that you don't fall prey to those who would confuse you simply by sending cryptic messages that are actually quite unimportant.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Use your creativity more to your own advantage, and you'll be enjoying something you've been looking forward to for some time.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) You won't be able to keep yourself entirely out of danger, but you should be able to minimize physical risks to others.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) You're going to have to work much more quickly to achieve your goals than you had expected. Long-term plans are fast becoming obsolete.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) You're going to want to leave specialized housework and other technical jobs to those who have been trained to do them right the first time.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) You're going to want to look at all sides of a major

issue—particularly where money is concerned. You want to get the best deal.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) You may have quite a way to go before you have reached your destination, but it is quite likely you will enjoy the journey you take.

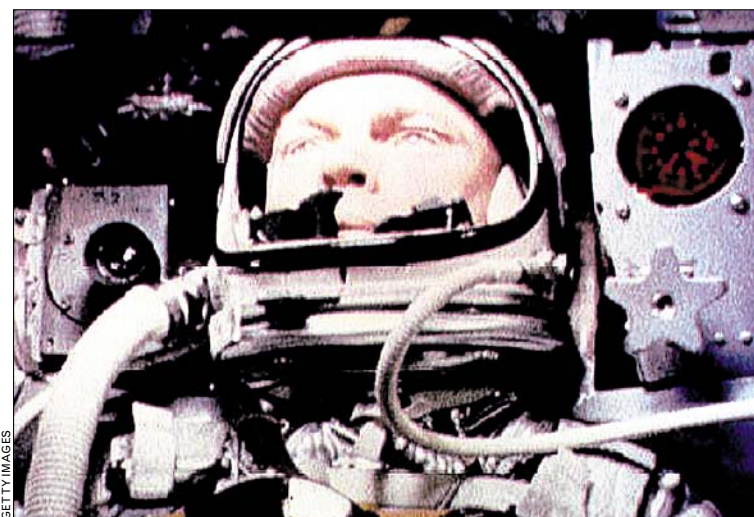
LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) You may have to change gears—and directions—quite unexpectedly. Take care that you don't let your own frustration get in the way.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) You'll have every reason to put something on the back burner, but you're not about to quit. Wait your turn, and be ready to swing into action.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) You'll likely be feeling much better than you had expected. Your enthusiasm is high, and your will to succeed quite strong.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) You've been feeling quite lucky in recent days, but right now you may be faced with something that is starkly realistic and even threatening.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) It's a good time to seek comfort and solace among those who know you best—and who are willing to give you the proverbial break.



Astronaut John Glenn became the first American to orbit Earth on this day in 1962.

Today in History

1839 Congress prohibits dueling in the District of Columbia.

1907 President Theodore Roosevelt signs an immigration act that excluded "idiots, imbeciles, feeble-minded persons, epileptics, insane persons" from being admitted to the United States.

1962 Astronaut John Glenn becomes the

first American to orbit Earth as he flew aboard the Mercury spacecraft Friendship 7.

1998 Tara Lipinski of the U.S. wins the ladies' figure skating title at Nagano, becoming, at age 15, the youngest gold medalist in Winter Olympics history.

2003 A fire breaks out during a rock concert at the Station nightclub in West Warwick, R.I., killing 100 people and injuring about 200 others.

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Look out

People



"I say to you all, stand and clap for me!"

CHEERING Crowd Thinks They See Hannah Montana

LITTLE RICHARD received a standing ovation at the Ryman Auditorium in Nashville, Tenn., and he didn't even perform. The rock pioneer, 75, was seated at the rear of the auditorium during a concert by the Temptations and the Four Tops. He got an extended ovation from the crowd of about 2,400 Sunday after being introduced by Otis Williams, an original member of the Temptations. (AP)

FEAR 'Fatty Roller-Coaster' Rides To Cost More, Be Less Fun

KIRSTIE ALLEY will not be returning to Jenny Craig as a spokeswoman — but will be launching her own "weight-loss brand" in 2009, People.com

reported. "I want to create something new that will help millions of people end the seemingly never-ending fatty-roller coaster ride," Alley, 57, said in a statement. (AP)



SAID THE PUBLICIST:

'Be Friends. OK?'

PINK and motocross racer **CAREY HART** have separated after two years of marriage. "This decision was made by best friends with a huge amount of love and respect for one another," said Pink's representative. "While the marriage is over, their friendship has never been stronger." (AP)

HOLLYWOOD Roles for Women of a Certain Age Still Plentiful

Priscilla Presley, Kristi Yamaguchi and **MARLEE MATLIN** are catching dance fever. They are among



the 12 who will compete in the next season of "Dancing With the Stars." The others are Adam Carolla, Shannon Elizabeth, Steve Guttenberg, Monica Seles, Penn Jillette, Mario, Jason Taylor, Cristian De La Fuente and Marissa Jaret Winokur. (AP)

DANGER Car Service At Ready In Case Of Fumes, Smelly Riders

CHRISSIE HYNDE took a ride on an Akron, Ohio, city bus to show her support of a countywide sales tax increase for mass transit. After the Monday morning ride, the Akron native and the lead singer of the Pretenders said public transportation is "what makes a city a city." Her ride took her to downtown Akron with other tax supporters, who carried home-made and official Metro Regional



Chrissie Hynde has many opinions on public transportation.

Transit Authority signs promoting the tax issue on the March 4 ballot. "If you feel you have to have a car, you feel trapped," she said, adding that people who rely only on cars "forget what it is to walk and enjoy the city." Metro RTA, which has a \$29 million budget, seeks a permanent 0.25 percent sales tax increase to raise \$18 million in additional funding per year. It would raise the total sales tax to 6.5 percent. (AP)

HUMILIATION Federline's Lawyer Also Asks Judge to Make Spears Wear a Scarlet Letter

A Superior Court commissioner denied a request Tuesday by **BRITNEY SPEARS'** divorce attorney to issue a gag order in her child-custody dispute with her ex-husband Kevin Federline. Attorney Anne Kiley argued that media coverage was "emotionally and physically" dangerous to Spears. The singer hasn't been allowed to see sons Sean Preston, 2, and Jayden James, 1, since an incident at her home that led to the first of her two hospitalizations in a psychiatric facility this year and a decision by another court to put her father, James Spears, in charge of her affairs. Federline's attorney argued that Spears is mainly concerned about the paparazzi frenzy that follows her. (AP)



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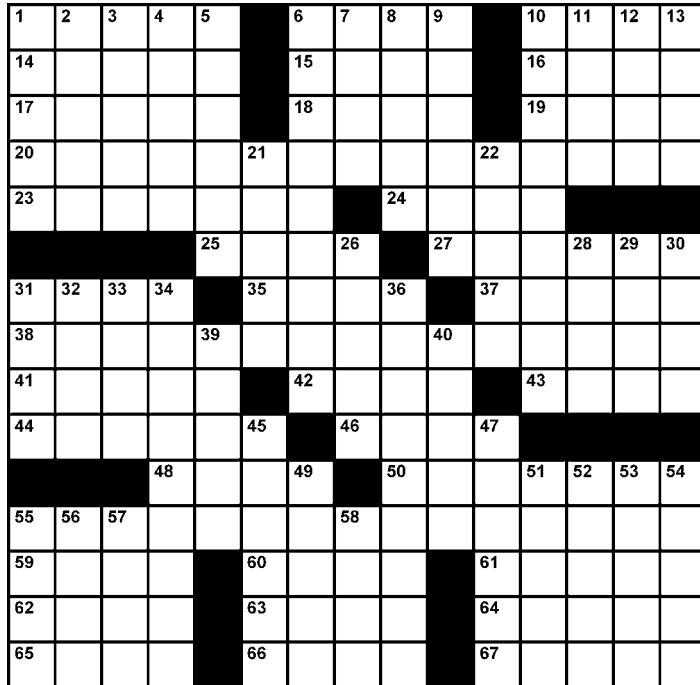
ACROSS

- 1 Pt. of UCLA
6 Chocolate cream and strawberry, e.g.
10 Reduce the vibration of
14 Saudi's neighbor
15 Capital city founded in 1050
16 "Dies ____" (hymn)
17 Miniature representation
18 Data, informally
19 Type
20 Romantic hit song that just keeps going?
23 Roman siege device
24 Emperor after Claudius
25 Sign of hunger
27 Episcopal parson
31 Barnyard belles
35 "It's gone!"
37 "Magna" follower
38 Inventor's impossible goal
41 Corral
42 ____ gin fizz
43 Crossed (out)
44 Isn't miserly
46 Achy
48 Rotunda feature
50 Geraldo and Diego
55 One with constant high hopes
59 Michael Jackson's birthplace
60 Tiny stream
61 1933-41 veep John ____ Garner
62 "The Grapes of

- Wrath" character
63 Type of "Animal House" party
64 Groucho Marx prop
65 Crystal ball user
66 First name in slapstick
67 Hurry to marry

DOWN

- 1 Cupid's teammate
2 "Don't make ____!" ("Freeze!")
3 Joins the bucket brigade
4 Lacking energy
5 Costly gas purchase
6 Like some snakes
7 Stevie Wonder's "____ She Lovely"
8 Like a North Pole drudge
9 Later alternative
10 Bad thing to do to a shoulder
11 "Buck" ending
12 Sportscaster Albert
13 Rose or Weber
21 Adjust to something new
22 ____-Roman wrestling
26 Things to strive for
28 Cereal not for rabbits
29 Sioux Indian
30 South African money
31 Omar of film



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- 32 Show joy or sorrow, in a way
33 Bird of prey
34 Laundromat staple
36 Architect's layout measure
39 Conclude with
40 Type of Boy Scout badge
45 Brains
47 Show clearly
49 T.S. of literature
51 Modern correspondence

- 52 Beatle behind the others
53 Songwriters' org.
54 Cordwood measure
55 Subjects of clashes
56 Net earnings
57 Pennsylvania port
58 Gymnast Korb

Yesterday's Solution



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Fill in the boxes so each row, column and 3-by-3 square includes the digits 1 through 9. See www.sudoku.com for solution, tips and computer program.

Need more Su/doku?

Find another Sudoku puzzle in the Comics section of the Post every Sunday and in the Style section Monday through Saturday.

Yesterday's Solution

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